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Arrearages.

Wells & Bell.

1851, Nov. 22,	For services 5 days on hearing before Road Comm'rs on petition of R. W. Stevens & als. in a road from Great Falls to Gonic	40,00	
Dec. 3,	For one day at Rochester before Comm'rs on adjourned hearing of same petition	8,00	
1852, Dec 7,	For drawing petition for road from Somersworth line to Gonic	1,00	
	For advice and assistance to Mr. Brasbridge about said petition and road	3,00	
1853, Jan. 10,	For notice to Rochester to take depositions on said petition	1,00	
11	For one day taking depositions in same case	7,00	
C. C. P. Jan T.	For term fee on said petition and arguing same to Court	10,00	
Feb 11,	For drawing petition to Selectmen of Rochester for road from Somersworth line to Rochester road	2,00	
July 2,	For drawing returns, examining town records and getting copies relating to Gonic road at request of Mr. Brasbridge	3,00	
	Amount carried forward		75,00

	Amount brought forward	75,00
	6, For attending before Selectmen of Rochester on hearing of petition R W. Stevens & als. for a road	3,00
	13, For drawing petition to C. C. Pleas for Gonic road	2,00
C C. P. Aug T.	For term fee on petition of R. W. Stevens & als. and getting the same referred to Road Comm'rs	10,00
	For paid for entry and continuance of petition	1,25
Dec. 10,	For 10 subpœnas for witnesses, filling of same and time hunting up witnesses for hearing	3,00
	9, For drawing petition to Road Commiss'rs in answer to remonstrance of L. McDuffee & als	2,00
	14, For paid for stationery for hearing and Comm'rs	,75
	17 For 3 1-2 days services on hearing before R. Comm'rs	25,00
	27, For 8 days hearing before Road Comm'rs and arguing case before them	75,00
	For paid expenses at Rochester	6,25
1853. Dec. 27,	For paid clerk for copy of R. W. Stevens & als. petition	1,00
	For paid for copy and order of notice on same	1,50
1854, C. C. P. Jan. T.	For term fee on R. W. Stevens & als petition and getting same continued	10,00
March 2,	For drawing notices to Somersw'th & als. to appear and shew cause why not to pay part expense of road	6,00
June 8,	For two days with Comm'rs laying out road & making return of same	15,00
	For paid Benj. Hanson for expenses	2,00
C C P. Aug. T.	For term fee on petition of R.W. Stevens & als. and arguing exceptions and getting report accepted	20,00
	For drawing deed Young to Young and agreements of James Young as to land damages	3,00
	Amount carried forward	261,75

	Amount brought forward	261,75	
	For paid for copy of Young's deeds to be used in hearing before Court	,50	
Sept. 16,	For fee on hearing before Judge Whitehouse on taxation of costs on Stevens & als. petition	3,00	
			265,25

George W. Brasbridge.

1856, Feb 16,	To time and expenses as agent for town of Somersworth in prosecuting petition for Gonic road	100,00	
	To paid witnesses as allowed by the Court above amount received from town of Rochester on execution including amount pd. Road Com'rs,&c.	94,17	
			194 17

Enoch Perkins.

To taking depositions of E. Harthan and G. W. Brasbridge on pet of R. W Stevens & als. for a road from Somersworth to Gonic village, to be used at Jan T. of C. C. P. for 1853	1.50

Thos J. Nute.

1854, Dec. For 1 days work on highway in storm	2,00

Edmond Roberts.

1853, To breaking road, self and oxen	,50

Joshua R Hubbard.

1856, Feb. 26, To lot of stone delivered to Benjamin Furber, Surveyor of Dis. No. 5,	,50

Shem Emery.

1855, Dec. 26, To 3 1-2 days labor on highway in District No. 5	3,50

Ivory W. Lord.

1854, Nov. 4, To 1 days work with 3 men and 2 horses on highway, Dis. No. 5,	5,00

William F. Hanson.

1855, Sept. 24, To services as policeman for 1853,	14,33

John G Hill.

1854, Dec. To posting bills by order of police	,75

Enoch Daniels.

1855, March 13, To 9 days services as selectman,	18,00

John S. Hayes.
1852, Oct 18, For job on pump, and a broom .75

Benja. Cook.
1855, Feb 21, To 1-2 day on pauper business 1,00
22, 1-2 " " " 1,00
March 2, 1-2 " " " 1,00 ——3,00

Alexander Witham.
1854, Oct 14, To 2 days work on highway, dist. No. 3 1,66

A. McCrillis.
1855, March 14, To 7 1-2 days services as Selectman from Feb 20, '55 to March 13, '55 15,00

James Burnham.
1855, Jan 18, To 1-2 day breaking road with 4 oxen 1,41

Charles W. Emerson.
1855, March 13, To 9 days services as Selectman from Feb 20 to March 13 18,00

Everett Clark.
1854, Dec 4, To self and two hands 1 day 2,49
4 oxen 1 day 2,00
1855, Jan 19, To self and 4 oxen 1-2 day 1,41 1-2
20, To self and 4 oxen " 1,41 1-2
27, To self and 4 oxen " 1,41 1-2
Feb 17, To self and oxen " 1,41 1-2
——— 10,15

Amount paid for summoning witnesses and witness fees before the Grand Jury, Aug Term, 1853 42,00
Do. Jan " '54 34,00
Do. Aug " '54 33,60
Do. Jan " '55 42,00
——— 151,60

Benjamin Hanson.
1854, Dec. To 1-2 day self, 1 hand and 4 oxen breaking road 1,50
'55, Jan 18, To 1-2 day do. 1,50
——— 3,00

Abatements to C. W. Emerson, collector for 1853.
Mark W. Footman 30,37
Thomas Rohan ,83
Aaron H. Freeman 1,83
Elisha Heath 1,83
Amount carried forward ——— 34,86

Amount brought forward	34,86	
William Moore	1,83	
Ebenezer Randall	1,83	
Parker Spinney	8,69	
	——	47,21

List of taxes abated to George W. Brasbridge in his list for collection in 1850.

Orin C. Barnes	2,15	
Mary Goodwin	3,41	
Israel Hodgdon	6,44	
Betsey Lord	4,13	
Franklin Shorey	2,15	
Thomas Thompson	2,15	
Robert Welch	2,15	
Andrew J. Whitehouse,	2,15	
Stewart Gordon	2,15	
John Spencer	2,28	
John Cole	2,15	
Patrick Murphy	6,07	
Stephen Davis	2,15	
John W. Davis	5,16	
	——	44,69

Charles H. Shackford.

1855, Feb. To paid Leonard Place for 2 days labor on highway in dist. No. 5		2,00

Ezra Harthan.

1853, Dec 13, To horse & wagon to Gonic on account of Gonic road	1,50	
My services one day	2,00	
14, horse and wagon to Strafford	3,50	
one day services	2,00	
15, horse and wagon to Meaderboro'	2,50	
services one day	2,00	
16, horse & wagon to Berwick & Roch'r	1,50	
one day services	2,00	
19, horse and chaise, and horse and wagon to Rochester	2,50	
services one day	2,00	
20, horse and chaise to Rochester	1,25	
services one day	2,00	
21, horse and chaise to Rochester	1,25	
services one day	2,00	
22, horse and chaise to Rochester	1,25	
Amount carried forward	——	28,25

Amount brought forward	28,25	
services one day	2,00	
23, horse and chaise to Rochester	1,25	
services one day	2,00	
24, horse and buggy to Rochester	1,25	
services one day	2,00	
26, horse and chaise to Rochester	1,25	
services one day	2,00	
27, horse and chaise to Rochester	1,25	
services one day	2,00	
expenses at Rochester	75	
28, pair horses and sleigh to Rochester	2,00	
services one day	2 00	
paid for driver	1,00	
30, horse and sleigh 1 day by Comm'rs	1,50	
31, horse and sleigh, do.	1,00	
services one day	2,00	
paid expenses at Dodge's	4,00	
Jan 8, horse and wagon to Gonic by Com'rs	1,50	
		60,00
Discount		5,00
		55,00

Highways.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

John B. Cook.
1855, July 11, To 10 days labor on Blackwater bridge in Dist. No. 1 — 15,00

Jonathan Wentworth.
1855, July 12, To use of Derrick 9 days — 6,75

Isaac H Twombly.

1855, July 16, To 8 1-2 days work on bridge in Dist. No. 1	10,62	
Aug 18, sharpening 10 drills	20	
	——	10,82

John Trickey.

1855, July 21, For 1160 ft. hemlock bridge plank	18.56	
" 24, 340 ft. " "	5,44	
	——	24,00

Isaac H. Twombly.

1855, Nov 26, To 1 1-2 days work on road in Dist. No 1	1,25	
oxen 1 1-2 days	1,50	
	——	2,75

Eli Cook.

1855, Nov 26, To 8 days work on road Dist. No. 1	8,00	
oxen 5 1 2 days	5,50	
labor 10 1-2 days	13,69	
10 loads gravel	50	
	——	27,69

Eli Cook.

To 11 days labor on Blackwater bridge in Dist. No 1	13 75	
oxen 7 days	7,00	
4 1-2 days of George F. Cook	3.38	
" " Henry H. Cook	3.37	
stone furnished for bridge	2,00	
paid for mending chain	,08	
horse and wagon to Rochester	,75	
567 ft. timber for bridge stringers	3.97	
26 ft oak timber	6,50	
	——	40,80

B. F. Hanson & Co.

1855, Aug 7, horse and buggy to Blackwater		1,25

DISTRICT NO. 2.

John C. Hanson.

1855, June, To 1 day work on road Dist. No. 2	1.00	
Sept. 2 days "	2,00	
Amount carried forward	——	3,00

	Amount brought forward	3,00	
	use of scraper	1,00	
Oct.	2 days work on road	2,00	
Dec.	1 day "	1,00	
		——	7,00

John C. Hanson:

1856, Jan.	To 3 days work on road, Dist. No. 2	3,00	
	2 yoke of oxen 2 1-2 days	5,00	
Feb.	1 day work	1,00	
	2 yoke oxen 3-4 day	1,50	
		——	10,50

Thomas Burnham.

1856, Jan,	To 3 days work on road, Dist. No. 2	2,50	
	1 yoke oxen 2 1-4 days breaking roads	2,25	
	1 1-2 days self	1,24	
	1 yoke oxen 3-4 day	,75	
		——	6,74

John C. Hanson.

1856, Jan.	To 3 3-4 days work on road Dist No. 2	3,75	
	1 3-4 days work	1,75	
		——	5,50

Thomas Burnham.

1855, June,	To 1-2 day work on road	,42	
	2 days "	1,67	
	1 yoke oxen 2 days	2,00	
	1 day self	,83	
		——	4,92

John W. Pray.

1855, Oct.	2 1-4 days work on road	1,87	
1856, Dec. Jan & Feb	8 1-2 days breaking roads	7,08	
		——	8,95

Benjamin Hanson.

1855, June	To 2 days labor on road	1,67	
Sept.	2 " "	1,67	
"	1 yoke oxen 2 days	2,00	
Dec.	1 day on road	,83	
"	1 yoke oxen one day	1,00	
		——	7,17

Abigail Hanson.

1856, Jan 14 & 15,	4 oxen 2 days on highway	4,00	
" "	1 man 2 days	1,67	
	Amount carried forward	——	5,67

	Amount brought forward	5,67	
16,	" 1 day	,83	
	4 oxen 3 4 day	1,50	
26 & 29,	1 man 1 1-2 days	1,27	
Feb 7	" 3 days	2,50	
	4 oxen 1 "	2,00	
		——	13,77

Abigail Hanson.

1855, Oct.	2 days work of N. Roberts on highway	1,67	
	" " Wm. Downs	1,67	
	1 yoke oxen 2 days	2,00	
		——	5,34

George S. Hanson.

1856, Feb 21	To 8 I-2 days labor on highway	6,67

James Burnham.

1856, Jan. 3	1-2 days work on road	2,90	
	1 yoke oxen 2 1-4 days	2,25	
Feb.	1 3-4 days self	1,45	
	1 yoke oxen 3-4 day	,75	
		——	7,35

Everett Clark.

1855 Oct. 2	1-2 days work on road	1,87	
	14 1-2 days breaking roads	12,03	
	yoke of oxen 9 days	9,00	
	4 1-2 days self	3,74	
		——	26,64

Moody Pike.

1855 Sept. 4	days work on road and use of drills, powder and fuse	4,33

DISTRICT NO. 3.

James Hanson, 2d.

1855 Aug. 6	days work on road	6,00	
Nov 1	"	1,00	
		——	7,00

James Hanson, 2d.

1856 Jan. 5	1-2 days breaking roads	5,50	
Feb 1	day breaking roads	1,00	
		——	6,50

Lurad Hanson.
1855, To 4 days work, 3,33

Lurad Hanson.
1856, To 5 days work breaking roads 4,17

James Winn.
1856, Jan. To 3 1-2 days breaking roads 2,92
1855, Aug. To 3 days work, 2,50
——5,42

Jacob Horn.
1855, Aug. To 4 1-2 days work, with oxen, 8,25

Josiah Winn.
1856, Jan. To 5 1-2 days self and 1 1-2 dys oxen on roads, 4,59

George H. Horn.
1855, Aug. To 3 days work on highway Dis. No. 3, 2,50

James B. Bickford.
1856, Jan. To 3 days labor breaking roads, 2,50

John Roberts.
1856, Jan. To breaking roads 1 day self and 4 oxen 2,50

DISTRICT NO. 4.

James Horn.
For labor on highway in District No. 4, self and oxen 5,50

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Daniel Teat.
1856, To 6 days labor self & 4 days oxen breaking road, 12,00

Aaron Maddox.
1854, Jan. 26, To amount paid Boston & Maine Railroad Co., for hauling gravel in street, 12,26

John Roberts.
1856, Jan. 17, To self and 4 oxen 4 days breaking roads 16,00

John Horn.
1856, To 23 days on highway in Dis. No. 5, 46,00
5 days on Gonic Road, 10,00
Lot of stone for culvert on Gonic Road, 5,00
2 1-2 days on Cemetery, 4,50
Paid fare to Rochester, ,40
——65,90

James F. Teat.
1856, To 3 days labor on highway in Dis. No. 5, 3,00

John Teat.
1856, To self and oxen breaking roads in Dis. No. 5, 5,75

Alexander Barrett.

1855, May 19, To 20 days labor on highway,	20,00	
June 9th, To 10 1-4 days labor on highway	10,25	
July 21, To 18 days labor on highway,	18,00	
Sept. 8th, To 17 3-4 days on highway,	17,75	
Sept. 25, To 3 1-2 days labor on highway,	3,50	
		69,50

Oliver Andrews.

1855, May 19, To 17 3-4 days labor on highway,	17,75	
June 9, To 12 1-2 do do	12,50	
July 21, To 18 do do	18,00	
Sept. 14, To 17 do do	17,00	
Nov. 16, To 16, do do	16,00	
1856, Jan. 26, To 8 do do	8,00	
		89,25

Benjamin F. Wentworth.

1856, Jan. 18, To 3 days labor breaking roads	3,00	
1855, June 7, To 4 1-4 do on highway	4,25	
		7,25

Richard Colomy.

1855, May 27, 8 days work on highway	10,00	
Nov 16 12 1-4 days "	12,00	
2 1-4 " paving drain	2,81	
Sept 11, 11 3 4 days labor on highway	11,75	
Sept 29 11 1-4 " paving "	14,06	
1 day "	1,00	
Sept 12, 3 1-2 days paving	4,38	
		56,00

John O. Donnel.
1855, Nov 16, 12 days labor on highway 10,00

Daniel Murphy.
1855 Nov 16, 12 days labor on highway 10,00

Elbridge Collomy.
1855 Nov 23 For covering stone 2,00

Rufus Woodward.
1856 Jan 8, 2 1-2 days work breaking road 2,50

Alvah Gilman.

1855 Dec 18, 8 1-2 days labor on highway		8,50

Ivory W. Lord.

1855, Nov 16, 2 1-2 days labor, self and horse on highway	5,00	
Sept 6 to 15, labor on bridge	4,50	
Oct 1 day labor with horse and cart	2,00	
Sept 11 to Oct 3 labor on highway	6,41	
	——	17,91

Nahum Brawn.

1855, May 19, To 20 1-4 days labor on highway	20,25	
June 16, To 11 1-4 do do do	11,25	
July 11, To 8 1-4 do do do	8,25	
July 21, To 7 3-4 do do do	7,75	
Aug. 25, To 5 do do do	5,00	
Sept. 1, To 8 1-2 do do do	8,50	
Sept. 13, To 8 do do do	8,00	
1856, Jan. 22, To 6 1-2 do do do	6,50	
	——75,50	

Littlefield & Blaisdell.

1855 Nov 5 For trucking gravel, &c. on highway	38,37

Thomas Murphy.

1855 Dec 12 To 2 1-2 days labor on highway	2,50

William Whitten.

1855 Dec 26, To 3-4 day labor on drain	75

Nathaniel Mildram.

1855 June 2, To 23 3-4 days labor on highway with horse, cart and one hand	43,46

Samuel A. Rich.

1855 Nov 11, To 9 days labor	9,00	
May 18, 9 "	9,00	
June 8, 11 1-2 "	11,50	
	——	29,50

John Donahoe.

1855 Nov 26, To 3-4 day labor on highway	,75

Mark Pugsley.

1855 May 19, To 20 days labor on highway	20,00	
June 9, 10 1-4 "	10,25	
	——	30,25

Samuel F. Harmon.

1855 July 12, To 6 days labor self and horse	12,00	
Sept 14, 18 3-4 "	18,75	
	——	30,65

Thomas Davis.

1855, Sept. 12, To 8 1-2 days labor on highway,	8,50

John H. Tebbetts.

1855, Nov. 5, To hauling stone from Lebanon,	4,00

Timothy Keliher.

1855, Oct. 26, To 2 days labor on highway,	2,00	
Nov. 16, To 11 1-2 days labor on highway,	9,55	
	——	11,55

Jonathan Watson.

1855, Nov. 10, To 6 1-2 days labor on highway,	6,50

John Randlett.

1855, Nov. 16, To 9 1-2 days labor on highway,	9,50

Jacob L. Packard.

1855, Nov. 16, To 12 days labor on highway,	12,00

Edmund Sweeney.

1855, Nov. 16, To 8 1-2 days on highway,	7,08

John J. Harmon.

1855, Sept. 14, To 3 1-2 days with self and 2 horses,	10,50

John F. Robinson.

1855, Sept. 14, To 13 days labor self and horse,	26,00

John S. Haines.

1855, Sept. 13, To 5 days labor on highway,	5,00

John Roberts.

1855, Sept. 22, To labor on highway,	19,00

Nathan Lord.

1855 July 22, To 14 1-4 days labor on highway	14,25	
June 9, 28 1-2 "	28,50	
	——	42,75

Lyman M. Coleman.

1855 July 21 To 16 1-4 days labor on highway	16,25

Horace Langley.

1855 Aug 27, To 6 1-4 days labor on highway	6,25

Daniel James.

1855 June 23, To 8 days paving on highway	8,00

John B. Young.
To 1 day labor on highway 1,00

George Abbott.
1855 Aug 27, To 4 3-4 days labor on highway 4,75

Thomas Davis.
1855 Aug 25, To 2 3-4 days labor on highway 2,75

Benjamin Randall.
1852 Sept 1, To 5 days labor on highway 5,00

Michael Murphy.
1855 Nov 16, To 9 days labor on highway 7,47
Oct 31, 2 1-2 " 2,50
—— 9,97

Nathaniel J. Mildram.
1855 Sept 3, To lot of stone and labor, self and oxen 17,00

E. R. Jones.
1855 July to Nov. For blacksmith work 3,20

George H. Horn.
1856 Jan 21, 2 days shoveling snow on highway 2,00

Dennis O'Brien.
1855 Nov 26, To 3-4 day labor on highway ,75

Asa Parks.
1855 Sept 29, To 9 1-4 days labor on highway 9,25

Moses C. Swain.
1856 Jan. 28, To 1 1-2 days breaking roads 1,50

Samuel F. Harmon.
1856 Jan 15, To 1 day labor on highway 1,00

George Worster.
1856 Jan 26, To 3days labor self and 6 oxen break'g road 12,00

Bradstreet D. Hill.
1856 Jan 25, To 4 3-4 day self & oxen break'g road 11,87
1 stick timber 54
—12,41

Nathaniel Warren.
1856 Jan To 4 days labor breaking roads 4,00

George Wentworth,
1856 Feb 19 To 116 1-2 days labor on highway as
Surveyor in dist. No. 5 174,75

Luther Thompson.
1856 Jan To 1 day labor on highway 1,00

James W. Goodrich.
1856 Jan To 1 1-2 day labor on highway 1,50

N. B Libbey.
1855 Oct to Dec. For blacksmith work 1,40

Oliver Andrews.
1856, Feb. 16, To 4 days labor on highway, 4,00

Hiram S. Hurd.
1855, To 12 1 2 days labor on highway, 12,50

John J Harmon.
1856, Feb. 1, To 1-2 day self, horse and sled on highway, 1,00

Royal Smith.
1855, To blacksmith work, 4 80

Joseph Pitman.
1855, Dec. 24, To 8 days labor self and horse 16 00

B. F. & D. T Hill.
1855, May to Dec. For blacksmith work and lumber, in highway Dis. No. 5, 18,46

Shem Emery.
1856, Feb. 4, To 1 1-2 days on highway breaking roads 1,50

Elijah H. Tebbetts.
1855, Dec. To 39 1-4 days, labor self and horse, on highway 78,50
Nov. 26, To 9 1-4 days labor on highway man, horse and cart 18,50
1856, Jan. 28, 1-4 day man, horse and plough ,75
1855, Aug. 4, To 4 5-8 days labor on highway 9,25
——107,00

Bradstreet D. Hill.
1855, Dec. 24, To a lot of covering stone, 5,00

Martin V. B Lord.
1856, Jan. To 1 day breaking roads 1,00

Edwin A. Whitten.
1856, To 3 days labor on highway, 3,00

George W. Brasbridge.
1856, To 4 3-4 days self and 2 oxen, breaking roads 11,[illegible]8

Ezra Harthan.

1855, Aug. 30, To horse and wagon to Dover, by Joseph French.	1,25	
Nov. 3, Hauling 3 load stone for drain	10,50	
		11,75
Credit by allowance for fixing side drain,		1,50
		10,25

Joseph H. Thompson.

1855. Dec. 24, To carting a lot of gravel	6,00

Shem Emery.

1856, To 1 day breaking roads	1,00

Moses C. Swain.

1856, Feb. 22, To 1 day breaking roads,	1,00

DISTRICT NO 6.

Edmund C. Short.

1856, Jan. 26, To 6 days labor breaking roads	6,00	
1855, Oct. 12, To 8 days labor on highway	8,00	
Feb. To 1-2 day breaking road	42	
		14,42

Samuel Clements.

1855, Sept. 7, To 1 day's labor on highway, self and oxen	1,83

Moses Ham.

1855, Jan. For a road through his land and breaking it out this winter	4,00

Samuel Stiles.

1855, Sept. 7, To 3 days work on highway	2,49	
1856, Jan. To 3 1-2 days work breaking roads	2,91	
		5,40

Moses Stackpole.

1855, Sept. 7, To 2 days labor on highway	1,66

Joshua Furber.

1855, Sept. 7, To self and oxen 6 days on highway	10,98	
Oct. 19, To plow 2 days	1,66	
1855, 1 day self and oxen breaking roads	1,50	
		14,14

Charles A. Clements.
1855, Sept. 7, To 2 days labor on highway 1,66

Joseph Moore.
1855, Feb. To 1-2 day breaking roads. ,42

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Charles H. Crockett
1855, To 8 1-2 days labor on highway 8,50
5 days horse and cart 4,17
2 hours self ,25
1856, Feb. 6, To 6 1-4 days breaking roads 6,25
——19,17

Clement Ham.
1855, To self 3 days and oxen 2 3-4 days on highway 5,36

Michael Connor.
1855, Nov. 7, To 5 1-2 days labor on highway 4,57

Thomas Emery.
1855, Nov. 28, To 1 days labor on highway ,83
To 7 1-2 days labor on highway 6,23
——7,06

Simon Emery.
1856, Jan. 17, To 3 1-4 days labor on highway 2,72

Clement Ham.
1855, Nov, 28, To 3 days labor self and oxen, and plough 2 hours 5,69

Royal Smith.
1856, To mending pick ,50

Andrew Crockett.
1855, Nov. 6, To 1 3-4 days labor on highway, and for levelling down bank 1,96

Street Lights.

Great Falls Gas Co.

1855, For gas burned in street lights from Jan. 1, to Dec. 26, 1855,		397,56

Great Falls Manuf'g Co.

1855, July, For gas pipe and fittings as per bill,	9,62	
For 3 street lamp chairs	9,00	
		18,62

F. A. Lord.

1856, To gas pipe, street lanterns, &c.		26,52

David Abbott.

1855, For lighting street lights from Feb. 10 to Sept. 10		63,60

John Lougee.

1855, To setting glass in Town Hall and street lanterns and painting 1 lantern		8,00

Somersworth Machine Co.

1855, Feb. 28, To 1-2 days service of M. C. Burleigh	1,00	
Oct. 25, 1 lamp post and top	14,40	
Dec. 22, 3 lamp posts	41,60	
3 lamp post caps	2,40	
		59,40

Sidewalks.

George Wentworth.

To 4 days labor repairing sidewalks	8,00	
Paid Nahum Brawn 3 days do	3,75	
		11,75

Samuel D. Whitehouse.

1855, To 13,100 paving bricks		99,70

Daniel Otis.

1855, Nov. 9, To laying 12.700 brick on sidewalks	25,40	
4 1-2 day labor on sidewalk	5,62	
Repairing sidewalks	,50	
		31,52

John J. Harmon.

1855, Nov. 7, To hauling 13,100 brick for sidewalks	5,24	
To labor cleaning streets	,50	
		5,74

Nahum Brawn.

1855, Oct. 26, To 5 1-2 days labor on sidewalks		5,50

Michael Murphy.

1855, Oct. 20, To 1 1-2 days labor on sidewalks		1,50

Thomas Davis.

1855, Sept. 12, To 4 days labor on sidewalks and crossings		4,00

Samuel Blaisdell.

1855, Oct. 12, To 432 3-4 feet flagging stone	108,19	
To 404 2-3 feet edge stone	93,08	
Aug. 31, 1 1-4 days man and horse	2,50	
Sept. 4, man and horse moving stone	1,62	
Drawing 7 loads stone	2,12	
Drawing 5 loads gravel	1,50	
Oct. 12, Man 1 day on sidewalk	1,00	
12 1-2 days labor edging flagging stone, & preparing stone for drains	25,00	
Drilling stone steps on High St.	25	
200 feet flagging stone	50,00	
		285,26

Elijah H. Tibbetts.

1855, Nov. 1, To 20 1-2 days labor on sidewalks and crossings, man, horse and cart	40,17	

John Roberts.

1855, Oct. 20, To 1 day's work self and 4 oxen hauling stone for sidewalks		4,00

Schools.

1855, Oct. 13, Amount paid Jonathan Horn, School money in Dis. 1	42,00
1856, Feb. Amt paid Jona. Horn School money,	72,30
1855, Nov. 17, Paid C. F. Elliott for support of Teacher's Institute	86,21
1855, March 7, Paid Moses Ham balance for 1854 in Dis. No 2	50,00
1856, Feb. 20, Paid Benj. Hussey in full for 1855	157,23
Paid Samuel Varney in full for 1855 in Dis. No. 5, Dover	9,97

Paid Moses W. Clements in full for 1855 in No 4 in Rollinsford	12,44
Paid David H Buffum in full for 1855 in Dis No. 3,	1367,78
Paid David H. Buffum for interest on School house debt, and for astronomical apparatus in School Dis. No. 3	1225,00

General Expenses.

Abatements to Charles H. Shorey, Collector,		182,11
John C. Dearborn.		
1855, March, To notifying Town officers	6,12	
Attending Town meeting 2 days as constable,	4 00	
Arresting John Taylor, and assistance	1,83	
		11,95
Joseph French.		
1855, Mar 7, For keeping Mrs. Rosamond Stiles and her child 1 night and meals .		,50
Hiram K. Wentworth.		
1855, May 18, To 500 Health Regulation bills		5,00
Benjamin Colby.		
1855, March 27, To 1-1-2 days watching with and taking care of Henry Shorey while sick, and sawing 2 feet of wood	1,50	
To paid Jona. Randlett for watching with said Shorey 1 night	1,00	
		2,50
Wentworth & Hill.		
1855, Mar. to July, For carriage hire		8,25

Charles E. Bartlett.
1855, Feb. 23, For services as auditor 5,00

E. J. Lane.
1855, March 17, For 3 inventory books 1,00

Charles F. Elliott.
1855, To services as S. S. Committee for the year ending March, 1856
To examining Teachers and Schools in Dis. No. 3 22,50
To making Report 5,00
To Examining Teachers and Schools in Districts No. 1 and 2 9,00
——36,50

George W. Hayes.
1855 Nov 30, 1 pair blankets for station house 2,50
paid express 12
—— 2,62

Edmund G. Short.
1855 Dec 11, Repairing fence around town lot 1,00

Samuel Clark.
1855 March 7, To attending to two Police offences and making complaints and warrants 10,00

Henry Y. Hayes.
1855, Jan. 1, To paid insurance bill 21,60

H. H. Hartwell.
To services as Sup'g School Com. from March 24 to April 15, 1855 7,00

Y. & Y. E. Hall.
1855 March To 4 Police badges 3,12

Daniel Otis.
1855 To taking care of Town Hall 24,00

H. K. Wentworth.
1855 To advertising Town Warrant 11 50
Printing Town Accounts 66,30
" check list 15,00
" 100 police notices 2,00
Advertising 10 1 12 squares 10,50
Printing 1000 copies School Report 15,00
—— 120,30
Discount 6,00

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John Horn.

1855-6,	For 29 1-2 days services as Selectman	59,00	
	13 " on Blackwater bridge	26.00	
	1 " on Crossing	2.00	
	1 " perambulating town line	2,00	
		——	89,00

Timothy Flanigan.

1855 For boarding a stranger 3 days		1,12

John G. Hill.

1855 To posting Police bills		,38

G. F. Gas Light Co

For Gas from Feb 1, 1855 to Feb 1, 1856		109,60

Charles H Shorey.

1855, To services as sup'g school com. 1 year	15,00	
" collector of taxes	165.00	
	———	180,00

Enoch Daniels.

1855, For 60 days services as Selectman 1 year in full		120,00

A. P. Holmes.

1855 Services enrolling 8th Co. N. H. Militia		5,00

John C. Hanson.

1855, Oct. To 5 days work on Gonic road	5,00	
1 yoke oxen 5 days	5.00	
use of plow and scraper	50	
	——	10,50

A J. Horn.

1855, To 5 days work on Gonic road		5,00

Henry R. Hanson.

1855 To 5 days labor on Gonic road		5,00

Michael Murphy.

1855, To 5 days labor on Gonic road		5,00

Dennis Cone.

1855, To 5 days labor on Gonic road		5,00

Daniel G. Rollins.

1855 To services perambulating town line between Somersworth and Rochester with selectman	3.00	
1-2 paid by Rochester	1,50	
	——	1,50

George Wentworth.

To services as constable at town meeting		4,00

C. H. Shackford.

1855, For services as health officer		5,00

J. F. Wentworth.

1855–6, For carriage hire	14,60	
police services 1 year	25,00	
" " 1 night	2,00	
	——	41,60

Benja. Cook.

1855–6, To paid fares, &c. and services as Overseer of Poor		71,72

George Stevens.

1855, To services as Police officer 1 year	30,00	
1 night	2,00	
paid lodging for stranger	,75	
	——	32,75

Joseph French.

1855, To services as Police officer 1 year	30,00	
1 night	2,00	
1 1-2 day as constable at Town Meeting	3,00	
paid 1 night lodging for a stranger	50	
	——	35,50

Frank Tuttle.

1855, To services as health officer		5,00

John Emery.

1855, May, To enrolling 3d Company Militia		5,00

Charles W. Emerson.

To 79 days services as selectman for 1855, ending Feb. 20th. 1856, and doing Town writing	158,00	
To services as Treasurer for 1855	25,00	
Paid expressman	,50	
	——	183,50

John Page.

1855, May, For 5 days enrolling soldiers in 3d Company N. H. Militia, and making return of same		5,00

True W. Woodman.

1854, Aug. On warrant Town of Somersworth vs John Taylor, arresting and committing said Taylor to jail in Dover		6,58

N. J. Bickford.

1855, Aug. 30, To expense sending to Trickey's mill in Dover twice to engage bridge plank for Town		,50

Charles F. Elliott.
To services as health officer for the year ending Mar. 1855, 5.00

Shubæl B. Cole.

1855, Mar. To cut globe delivered Otis	,58	
June To recording 46, marriages	2,88	
To 2 plain cut globes	1,17	
Nov. To 4 gas chimneys	,40	
		5,03

John S. Haines, Jr.
1855, To enrolling and making out returns of 8th Company N. H. Militia 5,00

George L. Dearborn.

1855, For original Town writing, Duplicates and Inventory	60,00	
Notifying jurymen, August term,	2,25	
Cash paid for returns of births and deaths, 139 in No.	6 95	
Notifying jurymen, October term	4,25	
Recording births, deaths and marriages, 160,	9,60	
Notifying jurymen for Jan. and Mar. terms	2,75	
		85,80

George Wendell.
1856, Feb. 18, To services as health officer for 1855 5,00

George Wentworth

Feb 19, To services as police officer from April 1, to Sept. 1, 1855	15.00	
To watching one night	2,00	
		17,00

Isaac Chandler.
1856, Feb. 20, To services as S. S. Committee 1 year 15,00

William W. Nason.
1856, Jan 2, For School Books 5,00

Benjamin W. Colby.

1855, Dec 29, To 1 day cutting ice in drain	1.00	
To 1 day watching with an insane man	1,33	
		2,33

Paupers.

COUNTY PAUPERS.

The total amount of County Pauper bills for 1855, is 603,18

The above amount has all been allowed and repaid by the County of Strafford, consequently it is not deemed expedient to publish the names and items of the several bills.

TOWN PAUPERS.

State Lunatic Hospital.
For board of Amanda Neal from Oct 15, 1855 to Feb 20, 1856 36,56

L. W. Gilman & Co.
1855 To goods del E. Randall 3,00

John Teat.
1855-6 To boarding Charity Teat 1 year 52,00

C. H. Shackford.
1855 For medical services rendered Mrs Benj. Andrews* 15,00

John Learey.
1855 To sawing 6 ft. wood for Mrs J. Drew † 1,00

Drs. Hanson & Tuttle.
For all med. advice and medicine for all the town paupers from Apr. 1, '54, to Apr. 1, '55 10,00

James Conner.
1855 To expense of John Jones and Wm. Wood 1 night 2,00

C. H. Shackford.
For med. attendance on Mrs Burleigh ‡ 2,00

* Paid by Sandwich. † Paid by Holderness. ‡ By Ossipee.

Amanda A. Goodwin.
1855 For support of my 2 children 2 weeks 2,00

Dam & Emerson.
1855 To 4 yds cloth, thread and drilling 2,89

George Fall.
1855 To 1-2 cord of wood del. Mrs John Drew* 2,00

Enoch Perkins
1855 For goods del. Mrs Drew* 7,07

Abraham P. Nichols
1855 Time and expense in obtaining affidavits in relation to settlement of Stephen York's family 3,00

John C. Otis.
1855 To boarding John Randall 1 1-2 weeks 3,00

B. & M. R. Road.
1855 To 1 1-2 tickets from Gt. Falls to Lawrence 2,00

Emulus Thompson.
1855 For goods del. Henry Shorey 2,40

Tebbetts & Co.
1855 To goods for Town Farm 13,72

H. Shapleigh.
1854 To boarding N. D. Willey and boy † 7,42

John Yeaton.
1855 To goods del. Wm. Dorr 24,00

Josiah Winn.
1855 To services of self and wife sup'g town farm 1 year 200,00

TOWN PAUPERS ON TOWN FARM.

John Roberts.
1855 To 10 days ox work on town farm 15,00
5 " labor 6,00
20,00

Emulus Thompson.
1855 To goods del. Josiah Winn 2,14

John S. Hayes.
1855 For pump chain, wood tubing, crank, &c. 3,97

* Paid by Holderness. † Paid by Durham.

Tebbetts & Co.		
1855 Goods del Josiah Winn for town farm		10,88
E. R. Jones.		
1855 For blacksmith work		1,82
Leonard M. Thurston.		
1855 services 1 1-2 days at town farm & paid for syringe		2,33
Howard Shapleigh.		
1855–6 To shoes and repairing do. for paupers at farm		10,50
Horace Pratt.		
1855 To 1 shoat		11,60
Royal Smith.		
1855 For blacksmith work		9,86
Asa Parks.		
1855 To 17 days work on town farm in haying		21,25
Thos. J. Crawford.		
1855 For 2 pr. shoes		1,50
M. E. Hodgdon.		
1855 To 1 robe for body of James Shorey		1,50
Ivory Fall.		
1855 For shoes del. Winn		2,93
Joseph Pitman.		
1855 To attending funeral of Jas. Shorey with the hearse		1,00
Franklin J. Rollins.		
1855 To coffin for body of James Shorey		4,50
John Martin.		
1854-5, For goods del Winn for town farm	112,48	
Cr. by hay,	13,10	
		99,38
R. L. Prescott.		
1855 For 1 shoat		7,98
Div. 175 N. E. P. Union.		
1555 For supplies for town farm	39,55	
Cr. by cash	8,00	
		31,55
John G. Hill.		
1855 To manure for town farm		2,50
Lewis Dearborn.		
1854 For shoes, &c.		1,16
Hiram Wentworth.		
1855 To 1 day whitewashing at town farm		2,25

Ezra Harthan.

March 22, To horse and chaise to poor farm	,50	
six cords of manure	30,00	
one " "	5,00	
May 28, 500 feet pine boards	7,00	
Sept. 12, horse and carryall by Cook's order	1,00	
Dec. 7, horse and waggon by Cook	,50	
1856. Jan. 11, horse and sleigh by Cook	,50	
		44,50

Town Hall.

John S. Hayes.

1855, Dec. For stove, locks and latches for station house, and sheet lead and pipe, labor, &c. on Town Hall		21,08

B. F. & D. T. Hill.

1855, July, For making blinds for 10 windows at Town Hall,	82,50	
For making blinds for small windows	14,00	
April, For lumber and other materials, and labor building station house under Town Hall	121,27	
		217,77

F. A. Lord.

1855, April, For gas pipe and fitting same at Town Hall	9,84	
May, For gas pipe and labor on street lights	7,86	
		17,70

Great Falls Manufacturing Company.

1855, June, To 50 feet timber used at Town Hall	,70	
To 55 slate used on Town Hall,	2,75	
To 5 1 2 days work of joiners	9,63	
To 5 1-4 days work of slaters.	9,19	
		22,27

George Wentworth.

1855, June 28, To 7 1-2 days whitewashing	16,31	
To mortar	,50	
Amount carried forward		16,81

Amount brought forward	16,81	
To 7 1-2 days repairing chimneys	14,50	
To 7 days of Nahum Brown	8,12	
To materials and labor done on stotion house under Town Hall,	48,00	
1 Thimble for stove pipe, and fitting the same	1,00	
1 day clearing out gravel, old bricks, &c.	1,50	
		89,93

Charles Sanborn.
1855, Sept. 28, For whiting, glue, painting chimnies, &c. 9,26

Bridge.

John Horn.
1855. To 38 1-4 days labor on Great Falls Bridge 76,50

Somersworth Machine Co.
1855 To 150 lbs Washers for bridge 6,00

George W. Johnson.
To 6 1-4 days labor painting bridge railing 10,94

Forest Glade Cemetery.
To 10652 ft Plank for bridge 117,17

George W. Kimball.
To 10 1-2 days labor on bridge 15,75

Albra Ricker.

To 2786 ft bridge timber	55,72	
moving timber	1,00	
4 bridge stringers	62,00	
2 sticks timber	19,00	
		137,72

Noyes & Smart.
To truss bolts and nuts for bridge 116,29

Nahum Brawn.
To 3 days labor on bridge 3,00

Joshua S. Smith.
To 31 1-4 days labor on bridge 54,69

G. W. Brasbridge.		
To 888 ft lumber		15,10
Samuel Hill.		
To 14 1-2 days labor on bridge		14,50
Richard Colomy.		
To 4 days work on bridge		4,00
John Randlett.		
To 12 days labor on bridge		12,00
Samuel Blaisdell.		
To 45 ft stone for bridge		20,25
George H. Horne.		
To 2 days labor, self and oxen, for bridge		4,50
E. H. Tebbets.		
To trucking for bridge		13,50
Daniel G. Rollins.		
To sawing and planing lumber for bridge		2,34
Tebbets & Co.		
To nails, oil, lead, &c. for bridge		27,16
George Wentworth.		
To 5 days labor on bridge		7,50
John Emery.		
To 4 bushels sea sand for bridge railing		1.34
John Randlett.		
To 17 1-4 days labor on bridge		21,55
L. S. Libbey.		
For blacksmith work for bridge	13,90	
Cr. by old iron	3,07	
		10,83
Charles L. Chapman.		
To 9 1-2 days labor on bridge		9,50

Fire Department.

Engine Men.

Amount paid Engine men, balance due Dec. 31, 1854	96,51
" " " to Dec. 31, 1855	671,21

Henry W Howard.

For keeping No. 3 Engine in order 1 year	3,00

Samuel S. Rollins.

To services as Chief Engineer	10,00

J. L. Gilman & Co.

To 5 Lanterns, del. S. Rollins	5,00

Sam'l S. Rollins.

To 4 lbs packing flax	1,00

Thomas J. Crawford.

For use of rooms by Engineers 3 evenings	3,00

Joshua S. Smith.

To 4 1-2 days exam'g houses for fire department	7,87

George S. Libbey.

To taking care No. 1 Engine 1 year	2,00

State & County Taxes.

State Tax.

Amount paid State Treasurer	1149,10

County Tax.

Amount paid County Treasurer	2097,96

Interest.

Amount paid	Arthur L. Noyes	236,18
" "	Great Falls Bank	6,47
" "	John Wentworth	229,22
" "	Great Falls Manuf'g Co.	8,46
" "	Jacob Horn	21,80
" "	John H. Wentworth	68,60
" "	C. H. Shackford	1,47
" "	Somersworth Savings Bank	7,75

AMOUNT PAID ON OUTSTANDING NOTES.

Paid John Wentworth	300,00
" Joshua Roberts	100,00
" C. H. Shackford	42,00
" Jacob Horn	5,00

Cemetery

Forest Glade Cemetery, Cr.

1853, Feb.	For amt. of bridge plank for covered bridge	72,00
1855 " "	1 acre and 29 rods land for public burying lot and fencing the same	125,00

Paid Winthrop Morrill for building road to Cemetery	232,87
Joshua Roberts in lieu of building cattle pass on Cemetery road	15,00
G. W. Brasbridge, land damages in building road to Cemetery	123,00
labor grading avenues of Town Cemetery lot	59,00

Recapitulation.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 20, 1856.

Cash in Treasury Feb. 20, 1855	1079,74
Received of C. H Shorey (Taxes)	15775,94
" County of Strafford	963,70
" Town of Holderness	11,30
" " Bedford	18,00
" State Treasurer, Railroad Tax	308,41
" Sidewalks	161,02
" Literary Fund	202,92
" Town Farm	117,05
" Town Hall	216,08
" Forest Glade Cemetery	214,00
" old timber and bridge plank sold	12,15
" County of Strafford by A. McCrillis	12,12
" Somersworth Savings Bank	500,00
	19592,43

EXPENTITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 20,1856.

Arrearages	858,97
Highway District No. 1	129,06
" 2	114,88
" 3	46,76
" 4	5,50
" 5	3102,09
Amount carried forward	4257,26

Amount brought forward	4257,26
Highway District No. 6	42,92
" 7	46,83
Street Lights	573 70
Sidewalks and Crossings	489,14
Schools	6022,93
General Expenses	1332,75
Abatements	182,11
County Paupers	603,18
Town Paupers	391,06
Town Paupers on Farm	295,10
Town Hall	417,25
Bridge	702,13
Fire Department	799 59
State Tax	1149,40
County Tax	2097,96
Notes outstanding	447,00
Interest	579,95
Forest Glade Cemetery	429,87
	19060,13
Balance in Treasury Feb. 20, 1856	532,30

NOTES OUTSTANDING AGAINST THE TOWN
Feb. 20, 1856.

Hiram Walker	1000,00
Samuel White	250,00
Somersworth Savings Bank	656,00
" " "	204,00
John L Gilman	1575,44
Edmund Roberts	700,00
J. H. & S. H. Wentworth	900,00
Andrew Ham	736,32
Jacob Horn	350,00
Mary Goodwin	356,10
Arthur L. Noyes	1800,00
Great Falls Bank	500,00
Somersworth Savings Bank	500,00
Eastman and Buffum	300,00
	9857,86

CHARLES W. EMERSON,
ENOCH DANIELS,
JOHN HORN,
} Selectmen of Somersworth.

AUDITORS REPORT.

The Auditors for the year ending February 20, 1856, have examined the foregoing accounts, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

It appears from the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer, that on the 20th of February, 1855 there was a balance in the

Treasury amounting to		1079,74	
Less arrearages since paid		858,97	
			220,77
The whole amount received from all sources for the past year is		18,012,60	
Less abatements to C. H. Shorey, 182,11 and amt. assessed on school Dist. No. 3	1225,00	1,407,11	16,605,49
Making the whole sum received from all other sources			16,826,26
Cash on hand Feb. 20, 1856			532,21
Leaving the expenditures of the town for the past year, as appears from the accounts			16,294,05

This sum will of course be increased by such arrearages as are now due.

The balances reported in the Town Treasury for several years past have been necessarily fictitious. On settling with the Collector at the close of each year, his note is received for the balance of taxes remaining uncollected, and carried into the Town Accounts as so much cash, and so appears in the annual statement; and the taxes are thus reported as paid in full and showing a balance of cash in the Treasury, when in fact, there is no cash—nothing but the Collector's note, for the payment of which the sureties on his bond are not holden, and on which a deduction is afterwards made of all taxes which he is unable to collect.

Formerly our taxes were actually collected and paid over within the year, and we would suggest the inquiry whether it would not be judicious to return to that practice.

We think that a different mode of keeping the Town Accounts from that adopted for several years past, might be judicious. In our opinion the Selectmen should keep a Day-Book, on which all receipts and expenditures should be regularly entered at the time the receipt or expenditure occurs. Dispensing with all entries whatever upon the Books of the Town until near the close of the year, may be as prejudicial to a town, as it certainly would be to an individual.

The charges of the Selectmen for their services, including services on highways and bridges, during the past year, amounts to five hundred and seventy dollars and ninety cents. It occurs to us that a saving might be made in this item, if the principal business of the Town could be done by one man; or if we could adopt a system similar to that of our neighbors at Dover and Rollinsford.

The Selectmen in their method of transacting the business of the Town, have conformed to the custom adopted here for several years past, in charges, distribution of labor, and keeping accounts. We are satisfied that they have discharged their duties faithfully and economically, and have in all things endeavored to promote the best interests of the Town.

The charges for the support of County Paupers have been paid in full by the County. The Town having apparently no further interest in the matter, and the account being very voluminous, the items, after being audited with care, are, at our suggestion and for the purpose of saving what seemed to us an unnecessary expenditure, omitted in the printed statement.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. A. BURLEIGH, } Auditors.
CALVIN WHITTEN, }

Report of Town Farm,

FEB. 20, 1856.

STOCK.

1 yoke of oxen	185,00	
2 cows, 30 each, 1 cow 40	100,00	
1 horse	50,00	
1 hog 22, 1 do. 18	40,00	
1 calf 4, hens 2	6,00	
		381,00

HAY.

4 tons at 20 per ton	80,00	
4 1-2 tons at 12	54,00	
		134,00

PROVISIONS.

180 bushels potatoes	72,00	
31 " turnips and beets	10,33	
75 " corn	81,25	
8 " beans	24,00	
10 " rye	15,00	
10 " barley	10,83	
50 lbs pork 6,25, 50 lbs beef 4	10,25	
6 galls molasses	2,40	
6 " vinegar	1,00	
50 lbs dried apples	3,00	
1-2 lb tea	17	
	——	230,23

WOOD.

7 cords wood	35,00	
5 "	15,00	
	——	50,00

FARMING TOOLS.

1 sleigh and harness	37,50	
1 horse wagon	45,00	
1 pr. ox wheels, axletrees, drafts and carts	35,00	
2 harrows	7,00	
3 ploughs	10,00	
3 ox chains	3,25	
1 pr. trace chains	,75	
3 hay forks and 6 rakes	2,00	
4 scythes and snaths	2,50	
1 grain cradle	2,50	
1 bush scythe and snath	1,00	
3 augurs and 2 chisels	1,53	
1 drag 1, 1 iron square ,50	1,50	
1 set stone tools	5,00	
1 whiffletree and chain	,33	
4 axes 4, 1 horse blanket ,75	4,75	
2 buffalo robes	7,00	
1 manure fork and 1 shovel	1,00	
1 cultivator	5,00	
1 handsaw 1, 1 woodsaw 1	2,00	
4 baskets 1,33, 1 sickle ,42	1,75	
1 grindstone, crank and rollers	1,50	
lot plank ,67, white oak timber 3,75	4,42	
Amount carried forward,		182,28

Amount brought forward,	182,28	
1 ox yoke and irons	2,00	
sleds 6, 1 wheelbarrow 1,50	7,50	
1 gimblet,,6, 5 hoes 1,67	1,73	
		193,51

MANURE.

5 1-2 cords manure, exclusive of that made on farm	33,00
	1021,71

INVENTORY OF 1855.

Stock	403,00	
Provisions	139,62	
Hay	144.00	
Wood	27,00	
Farming Tools	202,12	
		915,71
Excess		106,00

RECEIPTS.

Excess of Inventory over last year		106,00
Received for hay	91,50	
" straw	11,46	
" stock	206,50	
" butter	28.26	
" pasturing	42,40	
" cash of James Shorey	8,68	
" hide	3,90	
" work done off the Farm	15,34	
" potatoes	4,50	
" other produce	2,54	
" cash on hand Feb. 20, '55,	,90	
" of the County of Strafford	384,57	
		800,55
		906,55

EXPENDITURES.

Services of Superindent from April 11, 1855, to April 11, 1856	250,00	
Paid for 1 yoke oxen	132,00	
3 1-2 bushels barley	4,08	
clothing and bedding	18,37	
manure	48,20	
Amount carried forward.		452,65

Amount brought forward,	452,65	
Paid rent of pew 3, pasturing oxen 3	6,00	
labor	5,50	
shoes 1,50, cradle 2	3,50	
woodsaw 1, handsaw 1	2,00	
medicines	1,67	
groceries and other expenses	65,61	
Royal Smith for blacksmith work	9,86	
E. R. Jones	1,82	
—— Pratt for shoat	11,60	
Hiram Wentworth, white washing	2,25	
Howard Shapleigh for boots and shoes	10,50	
Asa Parks for labor	21,25	
John Roberts for labor	20,00	
Ivory Fall for shoes	2,93	
Lewis Dearborn "	1,16	
Thomas Crawford "	1,50	
Union store Div. 175 for groceries	31,55	
Emulus Thompson "	2,14	
M. E. Hodgdon for grave clothes for body of James Shorey	1,50	
J. Pitman, services at funeral of J. Shorey	1,00	
F. J. Rollins, coffin & box for said Shorey	4,50	
John Martin for corn and flour	39,89	
John G. Hill for manure	2,50	
Ezra Harthan for manure, boards, &c.	44,50	
R. L. Prescott for shoat	7,98	
L. M. Thurston for services	2,33	
Tebbets & Co., grass seed and goods	10,88	
John Martin for corn and other goods	59,49	
John S. Hayes for chain pump	3,97	
Daniel G. Rollins for setting pump	4,00	
	——	836,30
Leaving a balance of		70,52

in favor of the Farm.

Whole number of persons who have received support at the Farm the past year is thirteen.

Number of weeks support, 482.

61 weeks of the above were for *Town Pensioners*, and 421 weeks for County Pensioners.

Whole amount expended for Village Pensioners after deducting receipts is 165,98
from which deduct 70,52 balance as above.

and there remains 95,46 as the whole cost of supporting the Poor in the Town of Somersworth the past year.

BENJAMIN COOK, Overseer of the Poor.

Receipts and Expenditures

—FOR—

FOREST GLADE CEMETERY.

1855, March 10,	For balance cash on hand,	180,38	
12,	Cash received of R. Smith,	11,00	
" "	S Twombly	11,78	
" "	J V. Bates	14,65	
" "	Wm. Hanson	24,00	
May 18,	Cash rec'd of A. J Watson, note & int.	40,07	
June 13, " "	Robt I Walker " "	31,33	
July 4, " "	J. B. Clark on acct note	20,00	
9, " "	S. F Emerson " "	20,00	
Aug. 6, " "	J. W. Orango " " "	41,29	
	N Blake, " " "	26 42	
	A. Wentworth " " "	24,46	
Oct. 3, " "	S. Ricker " " "	57,32	
Nov. 5, " "	C. Allen, "	10,00	
" " "	S. S Chick "	41,87	
" " "	S. S. Chick, interest on note	2,13	
Nov. 30, " "	G W. Wendell note & int	105,67	
Dec. 12, " "	Moody Pike " "	18,92	
" " "	S. D. Whitehouse to bal.	144,25	
" " "	" " for int.	6,88	
	Amount carried forward,		——749,42

	Amount brought forward,	749,42
Dec. 31,	For cash rec'd of J. A. Burleigh on acct	23 33
1856, Feb. 16, "	Town of Somersworth	218,03
" 20, "	Sundry individuals for lots and labor on same, viz:	
	Isaac Chandler	56,25
	E. and E. Andrews, jr.	131,88
Nov. 30,	Lord & Stevens	154 65
"	Woodbury Sweat,	61,64
Dec. 21,	J. S. Pinkham,	60 65
	H. W. Chapman	16.50
	Dudley Wiggin	5,00
	L. W. Gilman,	5,00

1856.

Feb. 20,	For cash rec'd of		A. McCrillis to bal.	39,25
"	"	"	J G Hill on acct	24,00
"	"	"	H Shapleigh "	13,75
"	"	"	J S. Smith, "	18,48
"	"	"	G. J. Richards "	14.71
"	"	"	J. B. Clark "	13,75
"	"	"	D. Wiggin for note	87,50
"	"	"	" " for interest	,87
"	"	"	D. Tate for note	30,00
"	"	"	for wood	2,00
"	"	"	Of sundry individuals for deposite in tomb	7,00
To balance cash advanced for past year,				282,80
				——2099,46

1855, Mar. 12,	G. W. Burleigh for posting accts			10,00
Apr 30.	Paid D. Tate for labor, per pay roll			8,33
May 30,	do	do	do	14,17
	G. Pierce	do	do	2 50
	F. Dashey	do	do	3,95
June 30,	D. C Randall	do	do	16,50
	D Tate	do	do	17,50
July 30,	C. Essey	do	do	20,00
	E. Boyle	do	do	23,93
	R. Ham	do	do	25,34
	L. Hanson	do	do	23,81
	J. Bickford	do	do	13,75
	G. Trafton	do	do	1,67
	W. Whitten	do	do	2,50
	E. Nason	do	do	5,00
	Amount carried forward,			——188,95

	Amount brought forward,			188,95
	By paid to D. Tate for labor per pay roll			7,92
	J. Colomy	do	do	2,08
Aug. 11	J. Libuty	do	do	19,70
	J Donahoe	do	do	30,84
31	D. Tate	do	do	19,58
	J. Colomy	do	do	6,44
	M. Colomy	do	do	5 00
Sept. 30	D. Tate	do	do	17,50
	J. Colomy	do	do	7,50
	M. Colomy	do	do	9,17
Oct. 31	D. Tate	do	do	15,83
	J. Colomy	do	do	14,78
	M. Colomy	do	do	15,61
Nov. 9	B. W. Colbath	do	do	27.30
	H. Garland	do	do	6,67
16	E. Sweeney	do	do	81,32
19	J. Randall	do	do	4,59
	D. Tate	do	do	15,00
	J. Colomy	do	do	6,24
30	M. Colomy	do	do	6,24
Dec. 1	T. Hemmenway		do	29,78
4	L. Hanson	do	do	23,25
10	E. Sweeney	do	do	7,50
	R. Ham	do	do	2,50
	J. F. Tate	do	do	3,33
	D. Tate	do	do	5,83
17	J. Colomy	do	do	39,75
31	G. J. Richards for repairing harness			4,14
	U. Russell for repairing saws			1,33
	J. S. Smith for gate and post			18,48
	Wentworth & Hill for horse hire			,38
	Div 175 for molasses hhd			,60
	G. F. Fall for hauling logs			2,00
	E. Lord	do	do	2,00
May 31,	M. C. Swain for labor for pay roll			1,50
	D. Sullivan	do	do	5,00
	J. C. Young hauling timber for fence			19,00
	S. P. Montgomery for fence rails			60,00
Nov. 26,	Somersworth Savings Bank for note			600,00
	do	do	do Int on note	9,00
Feb. 12,	D. Sullivan for labor per pay roll			9,54
	F. Sullivan	do	receipt	23,04
	Amount carried forward,			———126,937

	Amount carried forward,	1267,93	
Feb. 16	Town of Somersworth for endorsement on J. Wentworth's note	100,00	
	Ditto 12 months int. on ditto	42,00	
	Littlefield & Blaisdell per bill	13,41	
	J. S. & S. H. Wentworth per bill	2,00	
	E. R Jones for shoeing horse per bill	3,45	
	J. Roberts for hauling lumber do	4,00	
	J. S Hayes per bill	31,43	
Feb. 19	J. Emery per bill	1,50	
	G. F M.Co.'s bill for sawing lumber	31,51	
20,	A. Elkins for posts per bill	266,50	
	L. Stiles for horse per bill	81,42	
	For posting books	10,00	
	E. Courtney for labor per pay roll	36,88	
	J. C. Morrison do do	30,38	
	Wendell & Call, fence pickets per bill	18,50	
	R. Ham, jr., for labor per pay roll	50,27	
			2099,46

STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS OF FOREST GLADE CEMETERY, FEB. 20, 1856.

LIABILITIES.

Due John Wentworth's Estate, balance on note (interest paid to Sept. 21, 1855)	600,00	
Due G. W. Brasbridge for services as Superintendent and Clerk to Feb. 20, 1853, as settled and allowed by the Trustees,	100,00	
Due G. W. Brasbridge for cash advanced to March 3, 1853,	570,88	
Due do Services for year ending Feb. 20, 1854,	100,00	
Due do Cash advanced do do do	534,35	
Due do Services for year ending Feb. 20, 1855,	150,00	
Due do do do do Feb. 20, 1856,	233,00	
Due do Cash advanced for year ending Feb. 20, 1856,	282,80	
Due do Boarding horse for past year	68,96	
Due do Labor of oxen past year	89.75	
Due Great Falls Manufacturing Co. on acct	130,96	
		2860,70

ASSETS.

Notes receivable, balance of principal due on notes,	815,00	
Amounts due from individuals for lots and labor on same, all of which are considered good	930,37	
Tomb, being the actual cost of same less amounts received deposites	292,92	
17 Lots, cleared, and ready for sale	340,00	
1 horse-cart and harness	20,00	
Sundry Tools, valued at	15,75	
58 Stone posts, valued at	82,88	
10 Oak posts.	1,25	
5 cords refuse wood,	15,00	
2000 feet refuse hard pine boards	18,00	
Cemetery lot to balance	329,43	
		2860,70

REPORT

OF THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THE TOWN OF SOMERSWORTH.

District No. 1.—This district had its summer and winter terms, of about fifteen weeks each. Schools were visited,—reports not returned—No. of scholars about ten.

The school-house is poor—badly located and, in a winter like the past, almost unapproachable—a fact that often diminished even this small number of scholars.

It is impossible that a school so situated, with the number of scholars, can improve satisfactorily, though under charge of excellent teachers. There are, in this district, some good scholars. There are, also, families that are interested in the education of their children, so that what fails to be done by the school is, in some degree, done at home.

District No, 2.—This district sustained a summer term of sixteen weeks; a winter term of about the same duration—Teachers, females. These schools have been profitable to the

district. The winter term, considering the location of the district, and the obstacles, from the severities of the season, has been one of great profit.

The teacher deserves much credit for success in improving the standard of text books—better classifying the scholars—thus ensuring their present improvement, and placing the school on a better basis for the future.

These small districts evidently sustain schools at disadvantage. When that is done that should be, in our State,—the old district system abandoned—then would, perhaps, the larger scholars, in these small districts, share equally with others in the benefits of our best schools, which should be managed by, and for, the town.

C. F. ELLIOTT, S. Com.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF DISTRICT NO. 3.

Your Committee, in submitting their report, do not propose to give a detailed account of the success of each school that has been placed under their inspection, nor that of each teacher, for this would be but a recapitulation of the reports of former committees.

Since the establishment of the High School, and the adoption of the graded system of schools, improvement, we think, has been gradual and uniform.

The custom of employing teachers for the same school, from year to year, we think, a good one.

The teachers employed, this year, are, generally, the same as last year.

Of these teachers, as a class, it is due to say, we think them competent and faithful.

The reforms attempted by the Committee, this year, have been mainly these:—They recommended a reduction in the grade for admission in the High School, thereby increasing the number of scholars so as to occupy the seats in that room—furnishing an additional assistant—thus giving to a much greater

number the advantage, if not of acquiring, with more facility, information in the particular studies they should naturally pursue, yet that of hearing and seeing, and, of course, learning much that will prove valuable to them.

The number of families immediately interested in that school has been greatly increased, and it is hoped this act of the committee will meet approbation.

In making this change, those scholars that were at the lower part of the village have been transferred to the school of the same grade in the High school house. This class of scholars, we believe, are doing well, and will be better and more uniformly fitted for the High school than during the existence of the separate grammar schools. This change seemed necessary, since all the school-rooms in the south part of the village are needed for scholars of a lower grade. Again, it has been made without additional expense for instruction.

The present arrangement of our schools, we think, is such as to secure the greatest amount of benefit to the scholars, for the number of teachers employed.

There have been employed thirteen teachers, and the general number of scholars in attendance about seven hundred.

The committee have made some change in the general reading books for the schools.

This seemed necessary, in order to keep pace with improvements in that department.

It would be invidious to speak of any school, or grade of school, as of more importance than any other.

All are important in their general result. All efforts of teachers are valuable and praiseworthy, wherever faithfully bestowed. But as the schools in the High School house are sustained at larger expenditures, their success becomes more a matter of interest.

These schools are excellent, and, if children do not reap the benefit of of them, the fault is not in the arrangement nor in the teachers.

There is a fault,—a failure to accomplish, by these schools, all that is desirable.

This fault arises from a want of regular attendance. This difficulty is unavoidable, where scholars are obliged to leave the school for other employment a part of the year,—thus making it difficult to sustain regular classes, and hasten on those who do attend regularly. Again, there is a difficulty that must always attatch itself to schools like these. Children are at home—their time diverted partly to the matters of home, and hence they are less likely to acquire studious habits than if abroad. Still, this is a weightless argument for not sustaining these schools; for the good done the great majority—to those who are unable to go abroad for an education, altogether over-balances other evil tendencies. To that majority these schools are of vast importance and value.

If parents, who have children at school, would bestow upon them a little more care, insist, not only, that they shall be at school, but studious at home; if they would have regard to their lessons, and not suffer slight occasions to interfere with the great business of school—if they would oftener visit the schools themselves, they would do good service to the cause of education, encourage and lighten the burden of teachers, and be abundantly rewarded in witnessing, in their own children, more rapid and valuable aitainment.

C. F. ELLIOTT, } Superintending
I. CHANDLER, } School
C. H. SHOREY, } Committee.
W. W. NASON, }

Great Falls, March, 1856.

Receipts and Expenditures

—OF THE—

TOWN OF SOMERSWORTH

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 20, 1857.

Printed at the Great Falls Advertiser Office.

Arrearages.

Joseph L. Page.
1856, April. To 3 1-2 days work on road in district No. 2, 2,91

Tristram Grant.
1856, Feb. 8, To loss of time caused by defect in highway, 1,50

Everett Clark.
1856, April 8, To 10 5-6 days work on road in district No. 2 9,03
April 9, To 7 2-3 days ox labor on road in dist. No. 2 7,67
——16,70

Benjamin Hanson.
1856, June, To 6 days work on road in dist. No 2 6,00
To 1 yoke of oxen 2 days 2,00
—— 8,00

Joshua Roberts.
1855, Sept. To 2 days labor on highway in dist. No. 2 1,67

Archelaus J. Horn.
1855, Sept. To 2 days work on road in dist. No. 2. 2,00
Dec. To 1 do do 1,00
—— 3,00

George W. Farnham.
Jan. To 9 days breaking roads in dist. No. 2 9,00
Feb. To 6 days work 6,00
——15,00

Joseph L. Page.
1856, Jan. To 1 1-2 days work on road in dist. No 2 1,50
Feb. To 1 do. do. 1,00
——2,50.

Jonathan Horn.
1855, Sept. To 2 days work on road in dist. No. 2 2,00

Joseph L. Page.

1855, Sept. To 2 days work on road in dist. No. 2		2,00

G. W. Brasbridge.

1850, To travel and service as Coroner on Mrs. Allen who was found dead in the John Adams house	3,12	
1852, To travel and services as Coroner on the body of Mrs. Holley who was found dead on the R. road	3,12	
1853, To travel and services as Coroner on the body of a child found dead in rear of No. 28 Main street	3,12	
1856, To travel in inquest holden on the body of a child found in the brook near Jacob Horn's land	3,12	
To cash paid for summonsing Mrs. Sargent and attendance at the examination in Mrs. Holley case	1,10	
To board of child	,75	
Cash paid for horse and wagon	.63	
Cash paid C. F. Elliott	3,00	
		——17,96

Charles Sanborn.

Dec. 3, '55, To lettering guide board		,75

Samuel Twombly.

1855, Aug 28, To survey and return of Grand street, continued through the Holcomb lot	2,00	
Sept. 19, survey and return of Grove street	3,00	
		—— 5,00

Abatements to Thomas J. Smith, Collector for the year 1854.

Aaron H. Freeman	2,18	
Eli Drew	2,18	
Mark B. Horn	2,18	
Daniel Randall	4,55	
William Short	2,18	
Henry Shorey	2,18	
Daniel Woodbridge	2,10	
		——17,63

Wells & Burleigh.

1856, To professional services	70,29	
Cr. By cash received of county of Strafford	42,81	
		——27,48

ames Durnham.

1855, June To 1-2 day's work on road in dist. No. 2	,50		
Sept. To days do. do.	2,00		
Dec. 1 day self and oxen	2,00		
		——	4,50

Archelaus J. Horne.

1856, Jan. 2 days work on road in dist No. 2	2,00		
Feb. 1 day do	1,00		
		——	3,00

Jonathan Horn.

1856, Jan. 3 days work on road in dist No. 2	3,00		
Feb. 1 1-2 day do	1,50		
		——	4,50

George W. Farnham.

For breaking roads from Jan. 9, 1856 to Feb 18, '57	7,75

R. Eastman.

For professional serviees from Sept '54 to June '56	131,50

George L. Dearborn.

Paid for returns of births & deaths 145 in No.	7,25		
reoording same	8,70		
		——	15,95

Matthew Howard.

1855. May 16, To making fence and keeping the same in repair,	1.00		
1856, Jan. 14, To breaking road in dist. No. 6 1 day,	83		
		——	1,83

Robert Pray.

1856, Dec. 30, To 5 feet Wood	3,44

Matthew Howard.

1855, Oct. 16, To 1 day labor on road, self, horse and cart	1,66		
1855, Oct. 18th, To 1 day self horse and cart	1,66		
To one day self	83		
		——	4,15

James Conner.

1855 Aug To expense of lady one day and night]	2,50

C. H. Shackford.

1855, Aug Med. & attendance on lady at G. F. hotel	1,50

Great Falls Post Office.

For box, and postage ending Dec. 31, '55	2,22

Isaiah Wiggin.

1855 Oct.	2 pr shoes del. Mrs Brown		1,33

William A. Fogg.

1855 Nov.	For printing adv. liquor seizure		6,00

J. A. Burleigh.

1855	Services as health officer	5,00	
	on com'ee on street pipes, making report, &c.	5,00	
	auditing town acc'ts 1855, '56,	10,00	
			——20,00

George W. Farnham.

1855 Oct.	4 days work on road in dist No. 2		4,00

Great Falls & Conway Railroad.

	For transportation merchandise billed to S. T. Grant and taken away by selectmen		1.10

Ichabod Pearl.

1855, '56	Services rendered town as sheriff and police		47,15

Ezra Hartban.

1852–3	Expenses on account of Gonic road in full		14,00
	Abatement in C. H. Shorey's list for 1855		58,73

Highways.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

George W. Farnham.

1866, June 12, For stone to lay water course on black-water road	2,00	
Breaking roads in dist. No. 1 from Jan. 9, '56 to Feb. 18, '57	1,50	
		—— 3,50

Isaac H. Twombly.

1857, Feb. To 4 days labor breaking road in dist. No. 1,	4,00	
2 days do.	1,67	
3 days oxen	3,00	
		—— 8,69

Hiram Corson.

1855, Sept. 6, To 6 days work on bridge	7,50	
drawing derrick from Rochester and back	5,00	
		——12,50

Eli Cook.

1856, Feb. 20, To 11 1-2 days breaking roads	11,50	
Oct. To 1 2 day work on road as surveyor	62	
oxen 1-2 day and help 1 day	1,50	
Nov. 12, self and help 1 day	2,25	
March 5, To 1 1-2 day self and oxen	3,00	
help 2 1-2 days	2,07	
June 12, To 7 days self, help 15 days, oxen 5 1-2 days	29,25	
		——49,49

DISTRICT NO. 2.

George W. Farnham.

To breaking roads from Feb. 20 to Merch 10, 1856	4,58	
" blackwater road from Jan. 1 to March 1, 1856	3,00	
		——7,58

Hanson Caverly.

1847 ,To 4 days labor on road	4,00

Abigail Hanson.

To hand and ox work on the highway from Feb 20, 1856 to Feb. 2, '57	35,00

Joseph L. Page.

1857, Feb. 17, To 3 days labor on road in dist. No. 2	3,00

Joseph C. Page.

1856, Nov. To 4 days work on road in dist. No. 2	4.00

Benjamin R. Wentworth.

1857, Jan. To 6 days breaking roads in dist. No. 2,	6,00

Jonathan Horne.

To 11 days work on road in dist. No. 2 from Feb. 20 to April 10, 1856	9,17	
10 days do. from June 5 till Nov 5	12,50	
7 days do. from Jan 9 to Feb 2, 1857	8,75	
		——30,42

George S. Hanson.

1855, March, To 8 days labor on road in dist. No. 2,	8,00	
April 3 days self, oxen day	4,00	
1857, Feb. 4 1-2 days breaking roads	4,50	
'56, Nov 5, 2 1-2 days work	2,50	
		——19,00

Joseph S. Horne.

1856 5 days work on road in dist. No. 2	5,00	
'57, 7 days breaking roads	7,00	——12,00

James Burnham.

1857, 9 days work breaking roads	9,00	
'56 self 9 1-2 and oxen 5 1-2 days on road	15,00	
self 6 days, oxen 3 1-2, & culvert stone	11,50	——35,50

John Pray.

1857 3 1-2 days breaking road	3,50

Benjamin Hanson.

self 10 days, 2 yoke oxen 5 days on road	18,30	
1856 self 6 days, oxen 3 days in dist No. 2	9 00	
'57 self and oxen 1 1-2 days breaking roads	3,00	——30,30

David C. Clark.
1856 2 days work on road 1,67

Everett Clarke.
1857 22 days labor on highway 22,00

Charles Clark.
1856 2 days work on road in dist. No. 2 1,67

Thomas Burnham.
1857 3 1-2 days break'g road dist. No. 2 3,50
'56 self 7 1-2, oxen 5 days do. 12,25
self 8 1-2, oxen 5 1-2 do 12,58—28,33

John C. Hanson.
1856 4 1-2 days labor and use of plow &c. 5,50
Feb to April 12 days do 12,00
'57, 5 1-2 days breaking road 5,50 —23,00

John W. Pray.
5 1-3 days labor on road 4,53

DISTRICT No. 3.

Lurad Hanson.
1856 1 day breaking road 83

James B. Bickford.
1856 2 1-2 days breaking road 2,08

James Hanson 2d.
1856 3 days work on highway 3.00
Feb. 5 1-2 days breaking road 5,50
'57 3 days do. 3,00—11,50

Rufus Woodward.
1856 2 days work on highway 2,00

Alexander J. Witham.
1855, '56 8 1-2 days on highway & breaking roads 8,08

James Winn.
1856, '57 9 1-2 days on highway and breaking road 9,50

Noah W. Bickford.
1856 self 6 days, oxen 3 days on highway 9,00
'57 self 3 days, oxen 1 day breaking roads 4,00—13,00

Samuel Fielden.
1856 self 15 days, oxen 1 day on highway 19,75
8 1-2 days breaking roads 9,37—29,12

Hiram Garland.
epairing bridge near his house 50

DISTRICT No. 4.

Jonathan Brown.
1856–7, labor on highway, self and oxen 10,58

Andrew Ham.
1856 Labor on highway 2,50

Moses Brown.
1857 Jan. 24, Labor on highway 2,00

Benjamin Hussey.
1856–7 Labor self and oxen on highway 12,50

Rufus Ham.
1856, Labor on highway 1,88

James Ham.
1856 Labor on highway 5,25

Moses Ham.
1856, Labor self and oxen on highway 21,28

John Tate.
1856 Labor on highway 7,50

DISTRICT No. 5.

Edward Grant.
1856 16 1-2 days labor on highway 16,50

Michael Murphy.
1856 12 1 2 days labor on highway 12,50

Patrick Linahan.
1856 9 1-2 days labor on highway 9,50

Patrick Corony.
1856 5 days labor on highway 5,00

Charles Wilkinson.
1856 2 1-2 days labor on highway 2,50

John Randall.
1856 2 1-2 days labor on highway 2,50

John Randall, jr.
1856 2 1-2 days labor on highway 2,50

John H. Randall.
1856 4 days labor on highway 4,00

James Conley.
1856 15 days labor on highway 15,00

Walter Parsons.
1856 6 days labor on highway 6,00

John O. Donely.
1856 25 1-2 days labor on highway 25,50
James Andrews.
1855 3 1-2 days labor on highway 3,50
Oliver Andrews.
1856 4 days labor on highway 4.50
Jonathan Watson.
1856 18 days labor on highway 18,00
B. F. & D. T. Hill.
1856 sharp'ning bars and picks ,20
John Parsons.
1856 14 days labor on highway 14,00
John Sullivan.
1856 9 days labor on highway 9,00
Asa Parks.
1856 4 days labor on highway 4,00
Richard Colomy.
1856 11 1-2 days labor on highway 11,50
James F. Tate.
1856 14 days labor on highway 14,00
George Roberts, jr.
1856 4 days labor on highway 4,00
Nahum Brown.
1856 3 3-4 days labor on highway 3,25
Tristram Grant.
1856 3 1-2 days labor on highway 3,50
Florence Sullivan.
1856 24 1 4 days labor on highway 23,25
Edmond Grant.
1856 4 days labor on highway 4,00
Dennis O'Brien.
1856 8 days labor on highway 8,00
James Hubbard.
1856 7 days labor on highway 7,00
Hiram W. Hayes.
1856 2 days labor on highway 2,00
B. F. Wentworth.
1856 2 days labor on highway 2,00
William B. Curtis.
1856 3 days labor on highway 3,00

Henry R. Shirling.
1856 3 1-2 days labor on highway 5,[illegible]
John Pitman.
1856 33 3-4 days labor and spikes for Eddy bridge 23,93
John Roberts.
1856 31 1-4 days labor on highway 31,25
Thomas Kahan.
1856 41 1-2 days labor on highway 41,50
Charles Horn.
1856 60 1-2 days labor on highway as Surveyor 90,75
Samuel Wentworth.
1856 2 1-2 days labor on highway 2,50
Moody Pike.
1855 29 days labor on highway 29,00
Benjamin F. Hall.
1856 3 1-2 days labor on highway 3,50
Samuel James.
1856 12 days labor on highway 12,00
Timothy Allen.
1856 13 days labor on highway 13,00
Lyman Coleman.
1856 25 1-2 days on highway 25,50
E. Holcomb.
1856 7 days labor on highway and stone 7,28
Nathaniel Warren.
1856 18 1-2 days labor on highway 18,50
Daniel Murphy.
1856 6 1-2 days labor on highway 6,50
Francis A. Horn.
1856 8 1-2 days labor on highway 8,50
Uriah Blaisdell.
1856 12 days labor on highway 12,00
Charles Hyde.
1856 5 1-2 days labor on highway 5,50
John James.
1856 8 days labor on highway 8,00
Daniel Randall.
1856 4 days labor on highway 4,00
Sam'l Mildram.
1856 Blacksmith work 5,40

Richard Grant.		
1856	4 days labor on highway	4,00
Ithiel Allen.		
1856	use of plow and stone	1,33
Isaac Tebbets.		
1856	2 days labor on highway	2,00
George Wentworth.		
1856	3 1-2 days breaking road	5,25
Michael Conner.		
1856	1 day labor on highway	1,00
Ivory W. Lord.		
1856	21 days labor on highway	21,00
Samuel Remick.		
1856	4 days labor on highway	4,00
Nathan Daniels.		
1856	4 1-2 days labor on highway	4,50
Francis Hamilton.		
1856	3 1-2 days labor on highway	3,50
Richard Grant.		
1856	10 1-2 days labor on highway	10,50
Ivory W. Lord.		
1856	53 days labor on highway	53,00
George H. Horn.		
1856	1 3-4 days labor on highway	1,75
Timothy Allen.		
1856	3 1-2 days labor on highway	3,50
Moses Rollins.		
1856	8 days labor and grates for drain	9,25
Gilpatrick & Son.		
1856	7 pick handles	1,24
George H. Horn.		
1856	1 day labor on highway	1,00
Albert Horn.		
1856	1 day labor on highway	1,00
Michael Gerry.		
1856	5 3-4 days labor on highway	5,75
Thomas Carle.		
1856	2 days labor on highway	2,00
John S. Hayes.		
1856	repairing plow and 3 lbs nails	3,14

Timothy Mahoney.
1856 6 days labor on highway 6,00

John C. Otis.
1856 13 days labor on highway 13,00

Edward Sweeney.
1856 1 day labor on highway 1,00

Timothy Allen.
1856 2 days labor on highway 2,00

George W Guptill.
1856 3-4 day labor on highway ,75

Joseph Pitman.
1856 16 1-2 days labor on highway 16,50

Daniel Sullivan.
1856 2 1-2 days labor on highway 2,50

Michael Dashy.
1856 11 days labor on highway 11,00

Phineas Fuller.
1856 3 days labor on highway 3,00

Patrick Murphy.
1856 2 days labor on highway 2,00

Martin McDonald.
1856 3 days labor on highway 3,00

John Giles.
1856 3 days labor on highway 3,00

Thomas Hanegan.
1856 9 days labor on highway 9,00

Merty Harvan.
1855 8,12 days labor on highway 8,50

John J. Harmon.
1856 3 days labor on highway 3,00

Michael Kaen.
1856 10 days labor on highway 10,00

William L. Bracy.
1856 5 days labor on highway 5,00

Hiram Walker.
1856 lot of covering stone 3,00

Henry R. Shirling.
1856 3 1-3 days labor on highway 3,50

James W. Goodrich.
1856 1 day labor breaking road 1,00

Joshua Roberts.			
1856	2 days labor breaking roads		2,00
Michael Gerry.			
1856	3 days labor on highway		3,00
Benjamin Colby.			
1856	1-2 day labor on highway		,50
T. J. Goodwin.			
1856	For blacksmith work		4,18
Elijah H. Tebbets.			
1856	13 days labor on highway		13,00
George Worster.			
1856	hands and oxen breaking road		11,00
Jacob Horn.			
1856	6 days labor on highway		6,00
John Emery.			
1856	lot of rough slate for dist. No. 5		3,00
Edward Blaisdell.			
1856	3 1-5 days labor with man and horse teams		962,
Daniel Tate.			
1856	7 1-4 days labor on highway		7,25
J. H. Titcomb.			
1856	13 1-2 days labor on highway		13,50
Rufus Woodward.			
1856	1 day labor on highway		1,00
Nehemiah Annis.			
1856	2 1-2 days labor on highway		2,50
James Goodwin.			
1856	4 days labor on highway		4,00
Moses Foss.			
1856	1 1-2 days labor breaking roads		1,50
G. W. Brasbridge.			
1857	1 day breaking road and cash paid Ivory Lord		1,75

DISTRICT No. 6.

Matthew Howard.			
1856	3 days labor on highway	3,00	
	1-2 day breaking road	42	
	making fence on town lot.	2,00—	5,42
George Roberts.			
1856	1 day breaking road.		1,00

George Roberts, jr.
1856 2 days labor on highway 2,00

Joseph Moore.
1856–7 24 days labor on highway & breaking roads with team 26,29

Moses Stackpole.
1856 labor on highway and breaking roads with team 26,64

William Short.
1857 3 1-2 days breaking roads 3,50

Joshua Furber.
1856 3 days self and oxen on road and use of plow 8,00

Samuel Stiles.
1855 20 days labor on highway and breaking roads 18,29

Edmund G. Short.
1856 19 days labor on highway and breaking roads 21,00

DISTRICT No. 7.

Moses Pray.
1856–7 4 days labor on highway and breaking road 4,00

Ebenezer Randall.
1857 1 7-8 day breaking road 1,87

A. W. Sargent.
1857 1 1-3 days breaking road 1,37

Thomas Emery.
1856 5 3-4 days labor on highway and breaking road 5,29

Moses Pray.
1856 2 days labor on highway 2,00

Lorenzo D. Pray.
1856 6 1-2 days labor on highway, oxen 3 days 8,58

Clement Ham.
1856 self and oxen labor on road 11,84

Jacob Whitehouse.
1856 labor on highway 13,44

Michael Conner.
1856 2 1-2 days labor on highway 2.50

Simon Emery.
1856 3 1-2 days labor on highway 3,08

Moses R. Downs.
1856–7 self and oxen on highway & use of plow 7,06

Charles H. Crockett.
1856 labor on highway 6,04

Samuel W. Downs.
1856 3 1-2 days labor on highway 3,25

Sidewalks.

Samuel D. Whitehouse.
1856 To 32,535 paving bricks 223,75

Charles Wilkinson.
1856 9 1-2 days labor on sidewalks 9,50

Eli Drew.
1857 1 day labor on sidewalk 1,00

Richard Grant.
1856 1 day labor on sidewalk 1,00

John O. Daniels.
1856 1 day labor on sidewalks 1,00

John Pitman.
1856 5 days self, horse 2 1-2 days on sidewalk 7,50

Moses C. Swain.
1856 1114 ft edge stone, 433 7-12 ft flagging stone 399,15

Hiram Wentworth.
1856 To laying 31,535 brick for sidewalk 63,07

Joseph Pitman.
1856 3 1-2 days labor on sidewalk 3,50

George Wentworth.
1856 4 1-2 days repairing sidewalk 9,00
Cr. By 175 bricks 1,30
7,70

B. F. Wentworth.
1856 2 3-4 days repairing sidewalk 3,42

Francis Hamilton.
1856 1 1-2 days repairing sidewalk 1,87

John J. Harmon & Co.
1856 8 1-2 days labor with horses and hands 24,00
Oct. Nov. & Dec. hauling brick and sand 16,36
—— 40,36

Thomas Kahan.
1856 1-2 day labor on sidewalk ,50

John Ricker.
1856 1 day labor on sidewalk 1,00

Jonathan Watson.
1856 4 1-4 days labor on sidewalk 4,25

Michael Murphy.
1856 1-2 day on sidewalk ,50

Fire Department,

Paid Enginemen for services in full to Dec. 31, 1856, 766,65
" " " Jan. 1, 1856 110,40

Henry Howard.
1856 Taking care Engine No. 3, 5 months 2,00

John Hubbard.
1856 4 1-2 days cleaning engines and hose 9,00

Shubael B. Cole.
1856 4 Trumpet 24,00, 3 Torches 12,75 36,75
Express bill 50 —37,25

George S. Libby.
1856 Taking care Engine No. 1 one year 3,

Charles K. Pemberton.
1856 Preparing 3 Engines 9,00
Hemp 75 —9,75

Edward Blaisdell.
Services as Chief Engineer for 1856 10,00

John S. Haines, Jr.
Extra services as Engineer's Clerk for 1854-5 & 6 15,00

George J. Richards.
1856 Rivetting hose and setting coupling 1,25

J S. Smith.
1856 4 1-2 days examining buildings 7,87

Street Lights.

Great Falls Gas Co.
For Gas burned in street lights in 1856 413

F. A. Lord & Co.
1856 Gas pipe, burners, labor, &c. 65,03

Somersworth Machine Co.
1856 3 lamp posts and caps 45,12

George J. Smith.
Lighting street lights from Dec. 15,'56 to Feb 20 '57, 20,40

David Abbott.
Lighting street lights from Feb 1, to Dec 10, 1856 94,20
" " Sept 1, '55 to Feb 1, '56 45,60

General Expenses.

Benjamin Cook.
1856–7 Paid fares, &c. and services as Overseer of Poor 74,40

George W. Wendell.
1857 1 year service as super'g school com. 15,00

William Randall.
1857, Feb 18 1 day labor on sidewalk 1,00

Isaac Chandler.
1856 Services as sup'g school com. 15,00

Benjamin Cook.
1856 1 day taking No. ratable polls in 2d ward of proposed city of Somersworth 2,00

Charles F. Elliott.

1856	Services as Health officer 1 year	5,00	
	Exam'g James, Ballock, sick with Varioloid	3,00	—8,00

W. W. Nason.

1856	For school books		2,43

L. W. Gilman.

1856	Services as super'g school com.		15,00

John L. Gilman.

1856	51 days service as Selectman	102,00	
	" as Treasurer	25,00	
	Paid for county map, cash book, fare to Dover, postage, and stationery	8,42	—135,42

C. H. Shackford.

1856	services as health officer and cash paid out		5,25

Patrick Linehan.

1856	Opening drain		2,00

John G. Hill.

1857	Posting police bills		75

A. Davis.

1856	Services as super'g com.		15,00

George Wentworth.

1856	Service of warrant on S. Grant	3,09	
	cash paid witness fee	2,55	—5,64

W. W. Nason.

1856	services as super'g school com.		15,00

Theodore Ham.

1855–6	Building fence around town lot		2,50

Calvin Whitten.

1856	services on committee for obtaining city charter		2,00

John Horn.

1856–7	75 1-2 days services as Selectman		151,00

C. H. Shorey.

1856–7	50 days service as Selectman	100,00	
	6 tickets to Dover at Court	1,20	
	bill for advice, ink, pens, &c.	3,89	—105,09

Owen Gorgan.

1856	2 days labor slating Town Hall		5,00

G. W. Brasbridge.

1856	560 ft hard pine plank for Cemetery	6,72	
	deposite of Jacob Garland "	1,50	
	burying Mrs Frost's 3 children	5,00	—13,22

Charles W. Emerson.
1856 Paid I. Pearl for sum'g witnesses before G. Jury 5,00

E. J. Lane.
1856 4 invent'y books 2 collector's books 2,51
change of books and express 30 —2,81

G. H. & S. E. Twombly.
1856 Printing 1000 Town Accounts 50,00
" 75 Police Regulations 3,50
" Check List, adv. 1 sq. 2 wks. 16,00
" 100 blanks, 500 health reg's 8,00
" Check List, adv. Warrant 25,00
" 50 Police Reg's & bills 5,00
adv " " 5,00—112,50

B. & M. R. R.
1856 Fare of Margaret Grant from Gt.Falls to Boston 1,90

I. S. Coleman.
1855–6 books and stationery 3,50

Ichabod Pearl.
1856 Witnesses in case State v. S. Grant & L.D.Reed 7,70

Calvin Whitten.
1856 Services as Auditor for '55 5,00

C. S. Jones.
1856 Services as Constable March 13 & 14 '55 3,00

Benjamin Cook.
1856 Fare and expense to Worcester on town business 7,96

Joseph Fountain.
1856 Posting Police notices 50

Joseph French.
1856 Services as Constable, police officer, &c. 70,48

Enoch Perkins.
1856 Service as jury on inquest of body of child found near Horn's brook 2,00

Edward H. Pratt.
1856 service as jury on body of child found near Horn's brook 2,00

John W. Wiggin.
1856 services as police officer, &c. 17,00

Henry Nason.
1856 services as police officer, &c. 44,80

Charles E. Bartlett.
1856 services as committee on city charter, &c. 5,00

S. D. Whitehouse.
1856 services as committee on city charter, &c. 5,00

George Wentworth.
1856 1 1-2 days service as Constable at town meeting 3,00

Robert I. Walker.
1856 For collecting taxes part of the year 55,00

Ezra Harthan.
1856 For carriage hire and breaking roads 18,00

I. Pearl.
1856 services as police officer and serving warrants 24,81

Jason H. Walker.
1856A7 services as police officer from Dec 27 to Apr.1 14,10

Hiram Horn.
1856 431 ft bridge plank 5,17

A. P. Holmes.
1856 services enrolling 8th Co. N. H. Militia 5,00

Stephen Shorey.
1856 1295 ft bridge plank 14,24

John Page.
1856 5 days services enrolling 3d Co. Infantry 6,00

L. N. Pattee.
1856 Copy of charter of city of Somersworth 9,00

Otis F. R. Waite.
1856 Engrossing city charter 10,00

Enoch Daniels.
1856 8 days service as Selectman 16,00

Silas Moore.
1855 Damage by break in road on High st. 11,00

John S. Hayes.
1856 repairing stove in Hall and furnishing lock & keys 3,50

Great Falls P. O.
1856 For postage, and box 68

Hiram Wentworth.
1856 1 1-2 days service as Constable 3,00

Daniel Regan.
1856 Piling wood at Town Hall 75

Hiram Wentworth.
1856 Carriage hire 4,50

G. H. & S. E. Twombly.
1856 Adv. city charter, & printing 200 extra copies 17,00

Thomas Snow.
1856 Service as Constable and police officer 32,52

John S. Haines, jr.
1856 Enrolling and making returns 8th Co. Infantry 5,00

G. F. Gas Co.
Gas from Feb 1, '56 to Jan 1, '57 82,40

Somersworth Machine Co.
1856 For gas pipe 2,78

Josiah Winn.
1856 Rec'd of C. H. Shorey on town acc't 15,33

C. H. Shackford.
1856 Med. services in case small pox 28,00

R. S Rust.
1856 exam'g teachers and schools and making report 36,50

Moody Pike.
1856 services watching body of child and as witness 3,00

Daniel Otis.
1856 Care of Hall 1 year 13,00

George Stevens.
1856 1 1-2 days as Constable at town meeting 3,00

B. F. & D. T. Hill.
1856 labor on T. Hall, plank, blacksmith work, &c. 27,95

George W. Wendell.
1856 services as health officer one year 5,00

D. G. Rollins.
1856 Survey'g and laying out South st. 1,00

Samuel S. Wentworth.
1856 sand for sidewalk 5,00

John Emery.
1859 enrolling 3d Co. N H militia 5,00

Frank Tuttle.
1856 Services as health officer 5,00

Littlefield & Blaisdell.
1856 Labor, stone and lumber 18,07

Charles W. Emerson.
1856 Services as collector 75,00

Ezra Harthan.
1856 manure and carriage hire for poor farm 19,50
Cr. by straw 4,44—15,06

Wells & Burleigh.
1855 drawing city charter and serving as com. on same 20,00

Charles F. Elliott.
1856 Rec'd of town Somersworth for Teach's Institutes 98,52

State and Co. Taxes. &c.

State Treasurer.
1856 Received of town of Somersworth 1149,40

County Treasurer.
1856 Received of town of Somersworth 2447,62

Abatements in C. W. Emerson's tax list for 1856 218,09

Schools.

Jonathan Horn.
1856 Rec'd of town of Somersworth for dist. No 1. 147,90

Benjamin Hussey.
1856 Rec'd of town of Somersworth for Pierce dist. 28,00
" " for dist. No. 2 36,00

D. H. Buffum.
1856 Rec'd of town of Somersworth for dist. No. 3, 5867,87

Andrew Rollins.
1856 Rec'd of town of Somersworth for dist. No. 4 in Rollinsford 13,27

Eli Cook.
1856 Rec'd of town of Somersworth for schooling 17,70

Paupers.

COUNTY PAUPERS.

The total amount of County Pauper bills for 1856, is 545,50

The above amount has all been allowed and repaid by the County of Strafford, consequently it is not deemed expedient to publish the names and items of the several bills.

TOWN FARM.

John Martin.			
1855–6	Goods del. Winn	13,65	
	Cr. By 2 bush. beans	5,00	—8,55
A. Gilpatrick & Son.			
1855–7–7	For goods	11,90	
	Cr. By goods and cash	5,26	—6,64
Tebbets & Co.	For goods for town farm		21,33
Calvin P. Gowen.			
1856	1 cow del. town farm		40,00
John Horn.			
1856	1 cord manure for farm		5,50
S. F. Emerson.			
1856	boots and shoes del. J. Winn		6,55
Alonzo I. Hodsdon.			
1856–7	Goods for town farm		4,67
L. W. Gilman & Co.			
1856	Goods for town farm		47,71
Samuel Mildram.			
1856	blacksmith work for town farm		6,03
James B. Bickford.			
1856	10 days labor on town farm, haying		12,50
John G. Hill.			
1856	2 shoats for town farm		21,00

Elijah Horne.

1856	blacksmith work for town farm		3,83

John Roberts.

1856	9 days ox labor	13,50	
	6 "	6,00	—19,50

Josiah Winn.

1856	Services of himself and wife superint'g town farm from Apr. 11 to Dec. 2	159,72	
	Cr. By potatoes, meal and wood	2,34	—157,38

G. H. & S. E. Twombly.

1856	Printing bills for town farm and adv. same	2,00

James B. Bickford.

1856	1 1-2 days labor on town farm by my son	1,25

Rufus Janvrin.

1856	273 lbs pork for town farm	27,30

Division No. 175 N. E. P. U.

1856	Goods for town farm	8,08

J. A. Burleigh.

1856	2 years and 2 months pew rent to Mr Winn	6,50

D. G. Rollins.

1856	For labor on pump building at town farm	4,50

TOWN PAUPERS.

Joseph Pitman.

1856	digging grave for body of Jacob Garland [Paid by Durham.]	2,00

Miriam Lord.

1857	nursing Amy E. Roberts from Jan 19 to Feb 2 [Paid by Raymond.]	10,00

Lydia M. Jenness.

1856	nursing Mrs Ivory Hayes 11 weeks [Paid by Lancaster.]	16,50

E. H. Tebbets.

1856	6 ft wood del. Ivory Hayes [Paid by Lancaster.]	5,25

Alonzo I. Hodsdon.

1856	Goods delivered Ivory Hayes [Paid by town of Lancaster.]	45,00

Araspes Bodwell.

1856	Labor digging grave [Paid by Durham.]	1,00

Eliza Dyer.

1856–7	support of Wm Dore from Oct 1 to Feb 20	14,00

B. F. & D. T. Hill.
1856 coffin for body of J. Garland, box, and hearse 6,00
[Paid by Durham]

C. H. Shackford & als.
1855–6 medical aid for all the town paupers 1 year 10,00

John James.
1856 Goods del. Mrs Guy 3,10

Eliza Dyer.
1856 support of Wm Dore 6 months 18,00

Nath'l L. Wallingford.
1856 board and attendance on J. Garland while sick 13,00
[Paid by Durham.]

Edward H. Pratt.
1856 visit and advice child of J. A. Gove 75
[Paid by Henniker.]

Moses Ham.
1856 16 ft wood del. to Mrs Tho's West 9,65

J. F. Hayes.
1856 stage fare of H. Willard from Gt. Falls to Effing'm 75

John Jones.
1856 boarding child of J A Gove 3 2-3 weeks 9,14
[Paid by Henniker.]

E. H. Tebbets.
1856 Wood del. Mrs Nye 3,75

M. E. Hodsdon.
1856 grave clothes for body of J. Garland 2,75
[Paid by Durham.]

James Conner.
1856 keeping Charles Musner 1 night 1,00
[Paid by Stratham]

John Tate.
1856 support of Charity Tate 1 year 52,00

Oliver F. Gerrish.
1856 paid Mrs Dyer for support of Wm Dore 1 month 2,00

N. H. Asylum.
1856 Rec'd of town of Somersworth for board of
John Brown and other expenses 80,25

State Lunatic Hospital.
1857 board of Amanda Neal 1 year 104,00

Interest.

Great Falls Bank.		
1856	Rec'd interest on town note	64,59
Somersworth Savings Bank.		
1857	Rec'd interest on town notes	179,75
Jacob Horn.		
1857	Rec'd of interest on town note	21,00
John H. Wentworth.		
1856	Rec'd interest on town note	60,97

Recapitulation.

EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING Feb. 20, 1857

Arrearages		449,25
Highways—District No 1	74,86	
2	271,50	
3	75,70	
4	63,49	
5	932,07	
6	113 54	
7	71,32	
		1602,48
Sidewalks		773,08
Fire Department		991,41
Street Lights		683,65
General Expenses		1603.26
State Tax	1149,40	
County Tax	2447,62	
		3597,02
Abatements		218,09
Schools—District No 1	147,90	
2	64,00	
3	5867,87	
		6079,77

Amount brought forward		6079,77
Dist. No. 4 in Rollinsford	13,27	
" 5 in Dover	17,70	
		3097
County Paupers	545,50—	545,50
Town Paupers	410,94	
Town Farm	409,85	
		820,79
Discount 5 per cent. on taxes		233,82
Interest		326,21
		17955,40

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 20, 1857.

Cash in treasury Feb. 20, 1856		532,21
received of Collectors		17650,11
County of Strafford		851,03
Literary Fund		262,08
H. B. Kenison	3,25	
John Jones	9,89	
		13,14
Town of Durham	27,25	
Lancaster	66,75	
Raymond	7,00	
Albany	5,00	
Stratham	5,79	
		111,79
Simon Page		8,00
Town Farm	24,31	
Cemetery	36,00	
Town Hall	162,17	
		222,48
Railroad Tax—For 1853	191,92	
1855	331,78	
		523,70
Sidewalks		122,10
		20291.60
Balance in Treasury Feb. 10, 1857		2336,20

NOTES OUTSTANDING AGAINST THE TOWN

Feb. 20, 1857.

Hiram Walker	1000,00
Samuel White	250,00
Somersworth Savings Bank	686,00
do. do.	204,00
do. do.	500,00
Edmund Roberts	936,16
J. H. & S. H. Wentworth	700,00
Ruth Cater	200,00
Eastman & Buffum	300,00
Great Falls Bank	500,00
Arthur L. Noyes	1800,00
Mary Goodwin	356,10
Andrew Ham	736,32
Jacob Horn	350,00
Josiah Winn	250,00
John L. Gilman	1575,44
	10344,02

C. H. SHOREY,
JOHN HORN,
JOHN L. GILMAN,
} Selectmen of Somersworth.

Town Farm.

STOCK.

2 cows 30 each, 2 cows 40 each	140,00	
2 hogs 50, fowls 2,33	52,33	
1 horse	50,00	
	——	242,33

PROVISIONS.

75 bushels corn	75,00	
7 " rye 7, 3 bush barley	10,00	
3 1-2 bush. white beans	7,00	
75 bush potatoes	50.00	
3 do. turnips and beets	1,50	
125 lbs pork	15,50	
1-2 bbl flour	4,25	
1 gal. molasses	30.	
1 lb tea 33, 10 lbs lard 150	1,80	
	——	165,58

HAY.

10 tons hay	150,00	
8 " "	80,00	
	——	230,00

WOOD.

9 cords wood	36,00

MANURE.

4 cords 5 ft manure other than that made on farm	37,75

FARMING TOOLS.

1 horse wagon	45,00
2 pr ox wheels, axle trees, drafts and carts	35.00
2 new carts	6,00
1 sleigh and harness	37,50

Amount brought forward		123,60
2 harrows 7, 3 plows 8	15,00	
3 ox-chains	3,25	
1 pr trace chains	75	
3 hayforks and 6 rakes	2,00	
lot of scythes and sneaths	2,50	
1 grain cradle	2,50	
1 bush scythe and sneath	1,00	
1 auger and 2 chisels	1,53	
1 iron square 50c, 1 sett stone tools	5,50	
1 crow bar, 1,50, 1 drag 1	2,50	
1 whiffletree and chain	33	
6 axes 4, 1 horse blanket 75c	4,75	
2 buffalo robes	6,00	
2 manure forks 1,50, 1 shovel 1	2,50	
1 cultivator	5,00	
1 gimlet 6c, lot of hoes 1,50	1,56	
1 handsaw 1, 1 woodsaw 1	2,00	
1 sickle 42c, sleds 6,00, baskets 1,33	7,75	
1 grindstone and crank and rollers	1,25	
2 ox yokes, bows and irons	3,00	
1 wheelbarrow 1,50, timber 3	4,50	198,67
		900,33

RECEIPTS.

Rec'd for stock sold	164,00
Cash on hand	1,44
Rec'd of town of Albany 5, Stratham 4,79	9,79
County of Strafford	305,21
pasturing 35,32, hay sold 46,68,	82,00
veal 50c, beans 5,75, calfskin 1, wood 3,75	11,00
work done off farm	17,13
pumpkins 2,78, butter 23,67, milk 2,10	28,55
potatoes 50c, husks 2, straw 4,48	6,98
	626,10

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Gilpatrick & Davis for goods	6,64
Alonzo I. Hodsdon for groceries	4,67
L. W. Gilman, flour and groceries	47,71
Sam'l Mildram, blacksmith work	6,05
James B. Bickford, labor in haying	12,50
John G. Hill, 2 shoats	21,00
Elijah Horn, blacksmith work	6,83

John Roberts, labor	19,50
G. H. & S. E. Twombly, printing	2,00
James B. Bickford, labor	1,25
Rufus Janvrin, 273 lbs pork	27,30
Division store 175 for groceries	8,08
John A Burleigh, pew rent	6,50
Stillman E. Emerson, shoes and boots	6,55
Ezra Harthan, manure, &c.	19,50
Calvin Gowen for 1 cow	40,00
J. M. & E. A. Tebbets, grass seed and goods	20,23
Superintendent	250,00
John Martin, flour and groceries	13,65
John Horn, manure	5,50
F. Garland "	27,25
For well bucket 1,25, 100 lbs beef 7	8,25
Sundry bills for bedding and clothing	20,20
" shoes and boots	5,86
" blacksmith work	2,62
" groceries	52,10
	638,74
Inventory of 1857 *less* that of 1856	118,97
Expenditures for the year ending Feb'y 20, 1857	757,71
Receipts	626,10
Leaving a balance against the Farm of	131,61
Whole number who have been wholly or partially supported at the Farm the past year is 18	
Whole number of weeks support is 367	
54 weeks of the 11 were for Town Pensioners, and 313 weeks for County Pensioners.	
Whole amount for support of Town Paupers not on the Farm the past year	409,90
From which deduct amt. rec'd of other towns	111,39
Leaves a balance of	298,51

The town pauper expenses have been much larger the past year than in any preceding year; which may be accounted for from the fact of the unfortunate sickness and removal of our late worthy Superintendent of the Town Farm, and the support of two persons at the Asylum for the Insane, which is necessarily very expensive.

If, however, a trifling sum could be expended in providing

accommodations at the Alms-house, one or both of the insane persons might be removed to the Farm, which would materially lessen the expense of support.

BENJAMIN COOK, *Overseer of the Poor.*

Cemetery.

G. W. BRASBRIDGE, Clerk

To Forest Glade Cemetery, Dr.

For Cash received as follows, viz:

1856, March 1	Of J. S. Smith for note	39,79
	interest	21
13	J. A. Burleigh to bal. acct.	144,91
28	J. F. Wentworth on note	40,00
	M. C. Russell for note	62,39
	interest	1,25
	J. G. Hill note	34,83
	interest	45
	L. Reed for deposite in Tomb	1,00
Apr. 1	G. J. Richards on note	20,00
	H. Wentworth to bal. acct.	50,63
	L. W. Gilman on acct.	3,00
3	Jas. Lord on note	30,00
10	For deposite in Tomb	1,00
	Of J. F. Wentworth for note	21,58
	interest	1,28
	H. Shapleigh note	46,90
	interest	28
May 10	J. B. Clark note	31,61
	interest	86
14	For deposite in Tomb	1,00
21	" "	1,00
22	" "	1,00
23	" "	1,00
26	Of Israel Piper for note	62,51
	interest	1,49
27	D. L. Hodsdon for note	63,14
	interest	1,27
June 9	For deposite in Tomb	1,00
14	Labor	1,50

24	Deposite in Tomb	1,00
	Of N. L. Fall for labor on Lot	8,44
July 28	M. C. Swain for labor	41
August 2	Wm. James "	2,00
16	G. J. Richards on note	12,00
16	J. H. Titcomb on acct.	100,00
25	A. Maddox in full	68,13
Sept. 20	C. Allen for note	38,25
	int.	2,73
12	D. G. Rollins on acct	115,75
Sep). 27	Of Oliver Hill to bal.	252,36
	C. F. Elliott for note	49,38
	int.	4,59
Oct. 30	Geo. Hanson on acct.	60,00
Nov. 9	For deposite in Tomb	1,00
15	" "	1,50
	Of Parks & Proctor to bal.	164,32
1857, Feb. 3	S. S. Rollins & Co. "	273.46
7	D. Wiggin for labor	6,55
7	Geo. Hanson to bal.	5,25
	S. B. Cole "	100,14
	E. H. Pratt for labor	2,50
	N. Wells for note and int.	55,40
	I. S. Coleman to bal.	51,29
16	Town of Somersworth to bal.	13,22
	G. F. &. C. R. R. Co. for lumber	8,08
20	J. H. Bickford on acct.	15,00
	D. Wiggin for labor	3,00
	J. F. Littlefield on acct.	20,29
	O. H. Lord to bal.	2,33
	L. A & M. E. Lord to bal.	66,75
	Lord & Stevens	17,75
		2189,95

CONTRA.

1856	By cash paid out as follows, viz :	Cr.
March 13	Paid Great Falls Mfg. Co. to bal.	130,96
17	D. Harmon for Drill	1,17
May 5	N. E. Daniels for labor	2,78
5	R. Ham, Jr. "	3,60
9	Geo. Pierce "	83
	E. Nute "	83
	L. Hanson "	6,21
29	P. Crowley "	1.66

31	M. Pugsley	"	5,75
	J. Allen	"	15,05
	W. W. Mason	"	35
	M. Kairnes	"	19,23
	J. Colomy	"	11,03
	D. O'Brien	"	5,42
June 1	E. Sweeney	"	15,06
3	M. Slattery	"	9,58
June 30	D. O'Brien	"	8,54
	M. Kairnes	"	16,05
	Jas. Colomy	"	6,88
July 1	E Sweeney	"	13,59
9	M. McDonald	"	8,75
30	E. Sweeney	"	5,41
31	D. Tate	"	6,00
	D. O'Brien	"	9,77
	M. Kairnes	"	9,57
Aug. 1	J. Colomy	"	7,07
25	J. Conoly	"	18,54
25	W. W. Mason	"	83
27	James Smart for Posts		125,00
	G. H. & S. E. Twombly for print'g		4,50
	J. Hubbard for Elm trees		2,67
		labor	3,75
Sept. 1	J. Colomy	"	83
22	D. G. Rollins for wheelbarrow		5,00
26	W. P. Whitten for labor		32,72
30	D. O'Brien	"	14,58
	E Sweeney	"	11,68
	Jas Colomy	"	5,83
Oct. 1	D. Tate	"	9,00
31	D. O'Brien	"	3,54
	M. Kairnes	"	2,50
	E Sweeney	"	6,24
	Jas. Colomy	"	9,79
Nov. 1	D. Tate	"	11,25
20	M. Kairnes	"	5,57
Dec. 1	Jas. Colomy	"	2,50
30	D. Tate	"	18,42
1857, Jan. 9	J. F. Tate	"	6,87
30	D. Larey	"	5,00
	F. Harmon	"	18,75
31	D. Tate	"	2,25
	Great Falls Mfg, Co. for horse		125,00
	J. H. Titcomb labor		2,50

	R. Colomy for labor	4,25
	J. F. Wentworth for sundries	5,50
	Littlefield & Blaisdell	3,59
Feb. 5	J. S Hayes	10,36
	N. Libbey, blacksmith bill	4,39
5	Tebbets & Co.	1 16
6	Jas. Hanson for labor	5,83
7	S. Mildram, blacksmith bill	1,54
	G. J. Richards per bill	4,72
	S C. Morrison for labor	51,25
16	Town of Somersworth, 1 year's int. on John Wentworth note	36,00
20	G. Roberts, jr. for labor	5,00
	J. Roberts "	2,00
	J. T. Furber for printing	2,00
	Gilpatrick & Davis per bill	45
	M. C. Swain for labor	17.00
	Charles Horn "	2,50
	A. Pratt for powder	1,65
	U. Russell per bill	1,05
	Hovey & Co. for Trees, &c.	11,50
	Express on "	75
	Moody Pike, per bill	3,00
	J. A. Burleigh, Jr. for making up accounts	15,00
	G. W. Burleigh, bal. due on account	55,50
	J. H. Titcomb for wheelbarrow	3.00
	" labor	3.00
	Great Falls Mfg. Co. for hinges	2,56
	R. Smith, blacksmith bill	4,76
	Balance charged to G. W. Brasbridge on private account	1154,48
		2189,95

STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS OF FOREST GLADE CEMETERY, Feb'y 20, 1857.

LIABILITIES.

Bills payable for balance due on the John Wentworth note, (interest paid to Sept. 1, 1856)	600,00
Due G. W. Brasbridge for cash advanced, &c,	1413.76
	2013,76

ASSETS.

Amount due from sundry individuals on acct.	616.05
Four lots, unsold, which were fitted up the past year. and are valued at	174,88
Tomb, being the original cost of same less sundry sums received for deposites	282,92
Bills Receivable, amount of notes due the Cemetery	415,18
Forest Glade Cemetery, being the first cost of the land increased by all expense for fitting up and carrying on the same to date and diminished by the amount rec'd from the sale of lots	524,73
	2013,76

The above is the Statement of Affairs as shown by the Books. For the purpose of exhibiting the exact standing of the concern, the Superintendent would submit the following report:

The liabilities according to the above statement are	2013,76
There is due Littlefield & Blaisdell on account of the Gate Way and Well House	400,00
Due M. C. Swain on account of same	106,72
Making a total of liabilities of	2520,48
With regard to the Assets there are offsets to the amount due from individuals, which are not yet brought in and which will reduce this amt. to	343,05
There are 4 Lots fitted up during the past year, which are now ready for sale and are valued at	174,88
The amount due on Bills Receivable is	415,18
There is due for 3 Lots now sold, for which the parties have not taken deeds	200,00
Fourteen Lots, cleared and ready for sale, prior to 1856	268,00
Personal property, consisting of Granite Posts, Wood, Lumber, Tools, &c. on hand	102,51
Due from Moody Pike for horse	50,00
Leaving the Cemetery in debt, including the bal. due for the original purchase	966.86
	2520,48

G. W. BRASBRIDGE, Superintendent.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The Auditors for the year ending February 20, 1857, having examined the bills and accounts presented them by the Selectmen, and them properly vouched nnd correctly cast.

From these they are enabled to report the following summary, viz:

The whole amount received from all sources the past year is twenty thousand two hundred and ninety-one dollars and sixty cents		20,291,60
Less abatements to Collectors	218,09	
" 5 per cent. discount allowed on taxes	233,82	——451,91
Making the sum received from all other sources		19,839,69
Cash on hand February 20, 1857		2336,20
Leaving the expenditures of the town for the past year, seventeen thousand five hundred and three dollars and forty-nine cents		17503,49

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SMITH ROSS,
ROBERT I. WALKER, } Auditors.

REPORT

OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF SOMERSWORTH.

In accordance with the Statutes of New Hampshire, the Superintending School Committee respectfully submit their annual Report:

The appropriate education of our youth is a work of transcendant importance. It is our first and most emphatic duty to prepare our children for future usefulness and happiness. More than three centuries ago, Martin Luther, the stern old Saxon Reformer, in an appeal to the magistrates of Germany, exclaimed in his own inimitable style, "It is a sin and a shame that it has come to this with us, that we must now arouse ourselves and be aroused, to educate our children and youth, and to consider their interests; whereas nature herself should move us to do this. Of what avail will it be, that we should have and do every thing else, and be like pure saints, if we neglect that for which we chiefly live, viz: to take charge of the young—I hold that of all the sins of the world, none is so heavy before God, or deserves such fearful punishment, as precisely this, that we do not properly educate our children."

The Common School is New England's favorite and time-honored instrumentality for the education of her youth.—The Pilgrim Fathers placed the school-house by the side of the meeting-house, these being so closely connected with each other, that they deemed them part and parcel of the same grand instrumentality for the education of the young, the prevention of crime, and the elevation of the race. The Common School combines more excellencies, and fewer defects for universal education than any other instrumentality ever employed. It offers gratuitously its advantages for improvement, to all classes of the community. "No admittance" is never written over the portals

of the entrance to the school-room, for it flings wide open its doors to the child of poverty and obscurity. From whatever other place the children of the poor and unfortunate may be excluded, they are welcomed to these humble temples of science. Penniless though they may be, yet they need not blush in the presence of the child of affluence, for in the school all invidious distinctions are laid aside, and each one is treated according to his intrinsic merit. It also proffers its assistance to those in the morning of life, before they have become contaminated with vice; when their minds are most susceptible to impressions, and when the impressions thus made will be the most enduring and influential. What the primary school does, it does in the *best time;* before the evil propensities of the child are fully developed, or bad principles are formed; and for *all time;* for its far-reaching influence extends even into eternity. How emphatic is the question once proposed by Gov. Everett, in visiting a school, "What considerate man can enter a school, and not reflect with awe, that it is a seminary where immortal minds are trained for eternity?"

It is a crowning excellence in our system of education, that the property of the State must be taxed to such an extent as may be deemed requisite to furnish such facilities for the education of her youth, as may be necessary to qualify them for the appropriate discharge of the duties which devolve upon them. That an ignorant community is a dangerous one, needs no proof, for such a sentiment is clothed with all the authority of world-wide experience.—The education of every child in the town, must, if possible, be secured, or there is no safety; for every one that arrives at maturity, ignorant and corrupt, endangers the prosperity, morals and happiness of the whole. Provision has been made to educate every child in town, and it is highly desirable that every friend of intelligence should co-operate with the committee in bringing our youth within the pale of the school.

Great responsibilities and arduous duties devolve upon the School Committee. To them is entrusted the entire management of the schools, and it is, therefore, befitting that they should annually render a strict account of their stewardship.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Whole number of scholars that have attended school more than 2 weeks	927
Whole number of teachers	13

Your Committee are happy to report that the schools in District No. 3 are in a state of general prosperity, that the teachers have been faithful and laborious, and have accomplished all that could have been reasonably expected. We have an excellent corps of teachers, unsurpassed, we are inclined to think, by any in the State. It would afford us pleasure to refer to each school, commending its excellencies, and pointing out its defects, but as this method has been repeatedly adopted by our predecessors, and as there have been very few changes in teachers, since the last Report, we reserve the space usually occupied with such comments for the discussion of several topics intimately connected with the prosperity of our schools.

It will be remembered that the Committee of last year reduced the standard of qualification for admission to the High School. The argument in support of this reform is twofold. 1st. "To occupy the vacant seats in the High School room," and 2nd. "To give a much greater number the advantage of hearing, and seeing, and of course, learning much that will prove valuable to them."

That the High School room is too large for the accommodation of our High School scholars is generally believed and can be clearly substantiated. Other towns in this and in neighboring States, with a greatly increased population, whose intelligence would not suffer in comparison with ours, find it extremely difficult to furnish a sufficient number of pupils to sustain a High School even smaller than ours. The proportion of pupils, who can profitably attend a High School in comparison with the whole number, is small. We do not believe that there is a town or city in New England, with so small a population as Great Falls, that has so large a High School. Two plans have been suggested to obviate the difficulty. The first embraces the present arrangement of admitting scholars of more limited attainments than formerly. But there are serious objections to this plan. It has greatly lowered the character and reputation of our High School. The school has, dur-

ing this experiment, rapidly deteriorated, and it will not be long under the present system, before it will require a very acute intellect to discern any essential difference between our High School and any well regulated Grammar School. This is the inevitable tendency of the present arrangement, neither accomplished teachers, nor liberal appropriations; nor beautiful school rooms, can avert this deplorable result. The method of instruction and discipline, and the teachers demanded for the higher grade of pupils, are ill adapted and too expensive for the lower.—Although the pupils of a lower grade may learn something from the recitations of a higher, yet it will be obtained at the neglect of their own appropriate studies, and will tend to perpetuate an evil, already too prevalent among the youth, of devoting too much attention to *other's* duties to the neglect of their *own*. It would be better for them, to devote their exclusive attention to their allotted studies, and then they will soon reach those explanations and illustrations in the regular course of study, when they will be able more fully to understand and profit by them.

The introduction of a lower grade of pupils into the High School has had a tendency to drive away from our school and home, a constantly increasing class of advanced pupils, when they might have been educated at home, under the supervision of parents and friends. This practice is rapidly affecting the reputation of the High School.

There is also less solicitude in the lower grades to reach the highest, in view of the present arrangement; for most of our citizens prefer to have their children remain in the Grammar School under the direct supervision and instruction of its teacher, rather than to have them advanced, that they may enjoy the advantages now offered to the lowest grade of pupils admitted to the High School.

The true mission of the High School extends to every child. It is the Keystone to the arch, and should awaken interest and enthusiasm in all the lower grades, and like a powerful magnet attract every pupil to its elevated privileges.

The committee are of the opinion that the present arrangement of introducing a lower grade of scholars to fill the vacant seats in the High School is seriously affecting its reputation and usefulness. We therefore, recommend

the following plan, as the most feasible method of removing the present embarrassment. Our plan is to divide the High School room into two apartments, by running a partition between them, so that the High School may accommodate about 75 pupils and the other about 50. The High School will then be sufficiently capacious to accommodate all the pupils which two efficient Grammar Schools can prepare for admission. This arrangement will, in our judgment, without an increase of teachers, greatly enhance the usefulness and reputation of our schools. The expense of altering the building will not exceed $300 and the advantages resulting from such an arrangement would prove incalculable.

One of two things is certain—Our High School Room must be re-arranged and adapted to our wants, and our scholars more appropriately classified or our High School will be reduced to a mere Grammar School.

We cannot entertain for a moment the thought that our citizens, after having made so great efforts to erect one of the finest school edifices in the State, and after having enjoyed for years the excellent advantages of a High School in which the children of the poorest, may enjoy equally with the wealthiest, the best facilities for Academic education, will commit the suicidal act of destroying the High School, or of converting it into a mere Grammar School.

We, therefore, recommend the alteration of the High School room into two apartments; one for the advanced and properly classified scholars, and the other for the Grammar School scholars. Then our schools can be properly graded, and with interested and competent teachers, sympathizing patrons, faithful supervision and liberal appropriations, may be worthy to be ranked among the best in New England.

R. S. RUST,
G. W. WENDELL, Jr.
L. W. GILMAN,
I. CHANDLER,
A. DAVIS,
Superintending School Committee for District No. 3.

REPORT OF DISTRICTS Nos. 1 & 2.

District No. 1.

Length of Summer School 16 weeks.
Whole number of pupils, 11.
Average attendance, 9.
Teacher—Miss Susan F. Hanson.

This school furnishes an apt illustration of the pursuit of knowledge under difficulties. The number of scholars is too small to awaken the requisite enthusiasm for rapid improvement. A school may be too small, as well as too large. We do not know what remedy to suggest, for circumstances beyond control render it impossible for this District to unite with any other. The school house is in rather a dilapidated condition, trembling under its constantly increasing infirmities. It is built after the models of antiquity, and is ill-adapted to its present occupants. This building during the present season, should be remodelled, repaired, and fitted up in a style adapted to the present generation. But amid so many discouragements, we found an active and successful teacher, and an interesting group of children doing, as we thought, well nigh the best they could, under the circumstances.

District No. 2.

Length of Summer School	16 weeks.
Whole number of scholars	15
Average attendance	14

Teacher—Miss Sarah E. Wendell.

This school is larger than the one in District No 1, but not sufficiently large to make it the most interesting and profitable. A school of forty pupils properly classified can be instructed more successfully than a smaller number. The school during the greater portion of the year, has been taught by a female, furnishing another happy illustration of the expediency of placing Primary schools under the care of competent female teachers. The people will soon be compelled to embrace what has long been deemed worthy of axiomatic authority among experienced educators, that a good FEMALE teacher is much better than a poor MALE one. The teacher was thorough and apt in her instructions, and

the pupils prompt in their answers, and the proficiency during the term highly commendable. We found several scholars here worthy of a place in the High School.

We would suggest the propriety of making some provision, so that the advanced scholars of this District, may enjoy the same advantages that advanced scholars in District No. 3 enjoy.

No Report has been received of the Winter Schools from Districts Nos. 1 and 2, up to the time of printing this report, but in our visits we found them in a state of general prosperity—making as rapid proficiency as could, under all the circumstances, be expected.

The School Commissioner for this County, visited our Schools in company with the Chairman of the Superintending School Committee, offered valuable suggestions for their improvement, and in the evening, delivered an excellent lecture to the citizens convened in the Town Hall.

RICHARD S. RUST,

Superintending School Committee of Somersworth.

March, 1857.